

The City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina convened for an Action Review on Monday, July 23, 2018 at 5:10 p.m. Room 267 of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Government Center with Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt presiding. Councilmembers present were Tariq Bokhari, Larken Egleston, James Mitchell, Matt Newton, Greg Phipps, and Braxton Winston.

ABSENT: Mayor Vi Lyles and Ed Driggs

ABSENT UNTIL NOTED: Councilmembers Dimple Ajmera, Justin Harlow and LaWana Mayfield

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ACTION REVIEW

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said welcome to the July 23, 2018 Action Review Meeting; I am sitting in for Mayor Lyles tonight, who is out of town at a course, so thank you all for being here. We are going to go straight in to a closed session.

ITEM NO. 7: CLOSED SESSION:

Motion was made by Councilmember Winston, seconded by Councilmember Newton, and carried unanimously to go into closed session pursuant to GS 143-318.11l(a)(3) to consult with attorneys employed or retained by the City in order to preserve the attorney client privilege and to consider and give instructions to the attorneys concerning the handling or settlement of City of Charlotte v. Faith Sinkoe - 17-CVS-11577 and Brian J. Kurzel, et al. v. City of Charlotte - 16-CVS-19521.

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The meeting was recessed at 5:12 p.m. for a closed session in Room 267.

Councilmembers Ajmera, Harlow and Mayfield arrived at 5:13 p.m.

The closed session recessed at 5:38 p.m. and immediately returned to open session in Room 267.

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ITEM NO. 1: MAYOR AND COUNCIL CONSENT ITEM QUESTIONS

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said we have pulled Items 85, 86, 88, and 96. Those have been settled. Items 46, 47, 93, 94, and 98 will be moved to the August 27, 2018 agenda, so if Councilmembers have more questions on those, you have a little bit more time to ask about that. On Item number 77, we will have a speaker, so we will take that for a separate vote after our vote.

Emily Kunze, Deputy City Clerk said there is a correction on Item number 75 as well.

Councilmember Winston said I have a follow up question to number 42. I saw the answer to the question I asked. It says we hold Complete Management about \$50,000 worth of obsolete parts?

Marie Harris, Strategy and Budget said yes sir.

Mr. Winston said can that be explained? When we say obsolete, does that mean that they are just not made any more and we still might have a need for them?

Ms. Harris said typically what happens is we have a certain make of vehicle. If it is a high turnover part that we have to keep in stock to keep the fleet availabilities up then sometimes it cycles out to a new model or the manufacturer replaces that part with another part, and sometimes we get caught in there where we still have some stock. That is typically what happens.

Mr. Winston said does it just sit on a shelf in perpetuity?

Ms. Harris said well, we usually try to sell it back to the vendor. Sometimes the vendor won't take it back or sometimes they give us a discounted price, then after that if there is no need, we send it to auction.

Councilmember Egleston said I know that we have mentioned this a couple of times over the course of the last seven months, but a 103 page agenda for tonight's meeting, I would contend that things like authorizing the Fire Department to buy the foam they need to fight fire or the helmets or boots that our fire fighters need on an ongoing basis should be cause for us to revisit the discussion that we have had around the Manager's approval threshold limit, which in every other metropolitan area in North Carolina is significantly higher than here. I think that with all of the important stuff that we have to do, weighing in on whether or not fire fighters are authorized to get the helmets or boots they need seems trivial on something that the Manager and his staff can handle.

ITEM NO. 2: AGENDA OVERVIEW

Marcus Jones, City Manager said we have three items and I think 45 minutes. I think that many people are here for the Pam Wideman show. So, we are going to make sure that we get Pam adequate time. So, we start off with the Vision and Comprehensive Plan that Taiwo will present, then we have the Housing Charlotte Framework, then Efficiency in Government is by Greg McDowell, who will touch upon the issue that Councilmember Egleston brought up. I will though suggest that maybe that is the one that if we have to push to August we would push to August to give ample time for these two very important presentations, and Mayor Pro Tem, if it is fine before I turn it over to Taiwo, I would like to just get the general agreement from the Council in terms of a school, surplus property update.

Back at the Councilmember Retreat, there were three surplus sites that were identified, and Council basically said, why wouldn't we go ahead and try to capture those three sites? Tonight, there is one site that is Double Oaks that the school system has determined to be surplus property. We have an appraisal. They have an appraisal. It came in at about \$3.1 million, and the way this process works, I would have to send something to the Superintendent Wilcox that basically indicates that this is of interest to the City. So, with the next steps process wise, if the Council basically gave me the nod this evening, which is consistent with the Retreat directive, we would send this to Superintendent Wilcox, CMS would approve the contract, then the County would approve it, it would come back to the City for the City to take possession, but this is just the normal process. So, if that is fine with you, I would like to be able to send this to Dr. Wilcox this evening.

Motion was made by Councilmember Winston, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to authorize the City Manager to send a letter of interest to Superintendent Wilcox for acquisition of surplus property at Double Oaks.

ITEM NO. 3: VISION AND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN – TRANSPORTATION AND PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE

Taiwo Jaiyeoba, Planning Director said I would like to spend the next few minutes to introduce you to Charlotte's Future 2040, which is a comprehensive plan that will really talk about how Charlotte is going to be shared in terms of its physical structure over the next 20 years. Now, first off, it is feeding off of the guiding vision that Council talked about earlier this year, which is really to create a community that is more inclusive, that is diverse and also safe and thriving as well. Now, the geneses of this is partly as we went through the Unified Development Ordinance and the place types over the last several months, there were a number of things that we heard, not just from you but also from the community, as well as from our Planning Commission with regards to our place types, comments such as they were not inspirational enough, people did not really understand the connection between the place

types and the UDO or whether the content was not something that was easily grasped. In response to that, we kind of took a step back and asked how we could continue to do work on our Unified Development Ordinance but also do something that is all embracing and all encompassing, even for Charlotte in terms of a vision for the future. So, enter Charlotte's Future 2040, which is really talking about a community vision that we can all share together that talks about our growth as a community, our rapid pace of development but also where do we place our capital infrastructure investment in our capital infrastructure, hence the need for a comprehensive plan. We have been talking a lot about unifying development ordinance, which as you know is really about eight different documents, the zoning ordinance but also different regulations that will come together. We have not been talking about unifying a lot of plans that we have in place. We have a lot of plans. The sustainability plan; we have water, we have transportation, we have transit, we have the Airport Master Plan, and there is really not one document out there that talks about pulling all of the policies and the plans together in such a way as to provide a framework for the growth of our community. Not only that, we are the 17th largest City in the United States. That is the list of about 30 comparable cities in the country and of all of them; Charlotte is really the only one without a comprehensive plan. Not only that, we are the largest City in the southeast and the largest City, obviously, in the State without one. North Carolina law specifies that some ordinance like the zoning ordinance should be made in accordance with the comprehensive plan. The way that we have been responding to that is through our General Development Policies or maybe a most recent one: Centers, Corridors, and Wedges. While those had their times and they were good for the times that they were developed, there were not really aspirational enough. One advantage that we have in North Carolina is why the law specifies that, it also did not mandate what that comprehensive plan should look like. So, we have been able to do some of our plans, but without necessarily a plan that would be able to tell us what exactly are we going to look like 20 years from now.

So, Charlotte's Future is supposed to help us define that. How are we going to look as a community over the next 20 years? One thing that is also going to do that other plans have not really done, well for us, is that it is going to link together with existing plans that we have, but it is also going to incorporate some big policies that we have, such as we have a transit plan that I talked about, Transit System plan. It is going to update a number of area plans that we have. We have about 55 different area plans. Some of them are as old as 1992/1993. The most recent one was the South End Vision Plan that we adopted here a few weeks ago.

We are going to take a good look at some of those area plans and update the older ones about the same time as we embark on this comprehensive plan. Some of those plans will also be consolidated when necessary. We were going to do that as part of the place types, but going through a comprehensive plan process helps us to do that. One thing that I will also quickly mention here is that we are not just talking about citywide plans, but we are also talking about policies in relevant county documents, such as policies related to public facilities, like open space, parks and recreation, school facilities, a library. We are going to do that. We are going to be working with a Police Department and Fire Department in terms of what do you see into the future in terms of 10 years, 20 years? What are those policies that currently guide how we locate facilities that the public will have access to in the future? Again, the last time that Charlotte did this was 1975, and it is definitely about time for us to have another comprehensive plan that really tells a story of a growing community.

Whether the elements of a comprehensive plan? We looked at a number of comprehensive plans across the country, including the one in Raleigh. We wanted one that would not only look at everything from the 30,000 foot level, in terms of policies but would also be detailed enough to be able to graphically communicate exactly the type of community that we want to be. We found that in the plan OKC, which was Oklahoma City's plan that was developed some months ago. Oklahoma City is comparable in terms of size and population with us. They are not exactly Charlotte, but there are certain things that we felt we could learn from those plans and especially that. There are also certain things that we also have in existence today that we can really incorporate into this comprehensive plan. So, we are proposing seven elements as part of that. One obviously was community vision and values, what are those things that make us uniquely Charlotte. We definitely need to talk about that. Two is a livable and connected city. Previously, the place types were only going to speak to our land use and community design. It wasn't going to talk about a whole lot of other things, but when we start talking about our livable and connected city, that is where you make a connection

between mobility and land use, then we will talk about how inclusive our City should be going forward. This is where we talk about affordable housing, economic mobility, and social equity. We are going to talk about a healthy City, the food system, the sustainability plan. We are going to be talking about prosperous and innovative cities. A lot of times now we hear about connected vehicles, autonomous vehicles. How do we accommodate all of these innovations in the future 10 or 20 years from now? Of course, there is going to be a focus on Center City, as well as the role of Charlotte in the region. Finally, that plan will not be a plan unless we start talking about implementation aspect of it, which would be the realization of our vision.

Perhaps the game changer for this comprehensive plan will be how we approach our community engagement. It is not just going to be able going out and talking to people like we have done. Really, I would like to be able to reach about 25,000 people or more. That is doable, but also it is very important that we look at it in such a way as to achieve balanced outcomes. So, we are going to be looking at a comprehensive plan with an equitable lens. We are going to be looking, not just in terms of racial equity but also even in terms of social equity. Where are those voices in the community that I have been lacking, that I have been missing the last efforts that we have been making to develop plans in our community. So, before we even embark at all on doing this comprehensive plan, we are setting out with a strategy sprint on August 8, 2018, to really be able to get the community to come out and really tell us, how do you want this community engagement? What do you want it to look like? How should it look so it doesn't become the same thing that we have done over and over for the last many years? Of course you are interested in what exactly we should be expecting as an outcome of this plan. I am talking about a plan that will be developed in a two-year period, so what happens in the process, while the development continues to go on.

We definitely have taken a step back to look at what should our world look like today before we even adopt the UDO or before we adopt the comprehensive plan. What are those things that we can fix in the near term in our zoning ordinance and our regulations that can really develop? Remember at the same time also make sure that input from the community is being taken into consideration.

I have divided it into administrated fixes, so to speak, as well as technical fixes. We believe that we can actually deliver this within the next six to 12 months. To come before you and be able to say that we have streamlined our rezoning process, if you would give the Planning Director some administrative flexibility to take care of some things but also one of those things in our transit oriented development ordinance is that we can bring back to you earlier next year for you to earlier next year for you to adopt so that we can continue to make positive changes around those stations. Like I mentioned, we are going to have the community engagement process that is very inclusive, then of course as part of the project for this fiscal year, you did approve the streamlining the development process, so the one stop shot as we moved into planning definitely that is going to roll out in the next couple of months here, so we feel that by doing some of these things, we do not have to wait until the UDO is done or the comprehensive plan is done before we want start making the development process more effective and more efficient for folks.

Here is a tentative schedule snapshot. I will come back at some point in the future, once we have the consultant on board to really clean this up, but this is the starting point. So, the goal here is to make sure understanding that we have a couple of elections in our future, and we also have a couple of major events, such as the All Star in 2019 and the All City Convention in 2021. We want to make sure that we do not lose the ability to engage the community but also not lose the ability to come before you and allow you to be able to have your input in the process. So, a lot of things would be going on, but at the end of the day, we want to have a draft comprehensive plan back to this body September of 2020 and at the same time have a preliminary draft of the Unified Development Ordinance that same year but January of 2020 to have a draft of the Unified Development Ordinance. We have a consultant on board that is experiences with other communities that started the Unified Development Ordinance and stopped to embark on the comprehensive plan. So, we believe that this is achievable.

Remember that at the January Retreat I mentioned that we were going to come with the Unified Development Ordinance draft summer of 2020, so that is going to shift for a few years, because there is no way that we can have a very successful comprehensive plan without pushing some things out [inaudible] Unified Development Ordinance. At the end of

the day, we will also be mindful of certain key events that are going to be taking place in Charlotte over the next couple of years that we do not want to create any sort of inability of the public to get engaged in the process.

Next steps, I would like to be able to read the Charlotte Observer, or whatever newspaper tomorrow and see CharlotteFuture instead of UDO. That is really the dream, because at the end of the day, it is hard to engage the community with regulatory tools, but you can engage the community with a vision. When we talk about setting a vision for the next 20-years, people say 20-years is a long time, but we do know that comprehensive plans by their nature are flexible enough that we can revisit them in five-years' time, take another relook at how we are growing and the trends and fix them again at that particular point in time. It is supposed to be able to break things down in a periodic manner, whether it is five years, 10 years, 15 years, 20 years, but I would like to be able to direct our attention as a commitment to the vision, rather to the regulation.

There is a Division Manager in the department, Gary Johnson to actually be our Project Manager for this; so over the last several weeks, he has been pulling together an interdepartmental foundation team. Not only are we reaching out to our colleagues within the departments of the City but also outside, the County, as well. We are going to be having a design of strategy sprint, like I mentioned before, on August 8, 2018. The goal is to have a consultant on board hopefully in September. I will be coming back August 27, 2018 and also September 10, 2018 to present that to you as well. One of the things that we have heard over and over is the fact that you all as a Council want to be involved in this process; you want to have some level of ownership, so I can commit to you that on a periodic basis that I will come before you and kind of share with you where we are in the process. So, it is really about creating our future together as a community, and I will be here to answer questions that you may have.

Councilmember Bokhari said good presentation, we have had multiple conversations of it and seeing it articulated like this I think shows that you guys have put even more thought into it, and you have a good view. I think that the way to kind of, for any of those in the audience who have been following this over the last decade or so, the way to kind of think about it is Taiwo came on board not that long ago, and he had inherited something called the UDO, and I think that after much analysis, we did not punt on the UDO. We are still doing the UDO, but you realize that the UDO was one part of a broader set of things in a certain set of orders that needed to happen, and I applaud you for that, but I think you probably realize at this point while you had inherited a thing called UDO, the CharlotteFuture is your thing. So, clearly my hope is that seven, eight, 10 years from now there is not another Council who is like; we need to rebrand CharlotteFuture, because that thing has been around too long and nothing actually happened.

I love what I saw there; the one piece of advice that I would give is engaging the community, you need to figure out a way to shock them into being involved in this, because a bunch of feel good community forums and meetings, that has been happening for almost a decade now with this stuff. Here is one example: go out and pick a parcel next to every major neighborhood association in the City, and send almost a fake note on the front of one side that says we are going to turn this into-

Councilmember Egleston said please do not do that.

Mr. Bokhari said the point is this, the response there is what you need to see. Everybody is all kumbaya, feel good, up until the moment that they would activate, where they go woo, that means this can happen? They do not realize this is that conversation, now. So, whatever it takes to shock these folks into it, I would think creatively, maybe not that far to my colleague's good pushback but something that would let them realize if you do not want a coffee shop or affordable housing or this or that, now is your time to raise your hand and justify your reason, because when we get down after this is all in the future state when we get down to voting, we are going to follow this. We are not going to be a deal-based City hopefully anymore. We are going to be a process-based City. I applaud you, but it is a lot of work.

Councilmember Harlow said Mr. Planning Director, as Mr. Bokhari said, you definitely inherited something that I think is a good thought on the whole and you have kind of come in

recognizing hey we need a larger plan and a vision to implement some of the more technical things that we were leading with originally, and I applaud you. You have got to have some real strong shoulders, because you are going to be carrying this whole thing for years to come, but back to the community engagement piece. I am glad that you centered some of your slides around that. We know that there are a lot of issues in the community, and we have a lot of community leaders and advocates that want to be proactive in the process. I have sat around this dais for seven months like the rest of us here, and there has been a lot of concerns about what the UDO process started as and what it is now or what we know it as now. So, this kind of step back hopefully isn't a couple of years down the road we are not saying the same thing, and I think that a lot of that is because we had the UDO Committee and where I'm getting constant updates, we are kind of throwing out little summits and little terms like place types and the community is like wait, what does that mean? Where did this come from? Where did these definitions happen? So, we are going to hammer that nail all the way in and say let's be sure whenever we get to this stakeholder steering committee process and inclusive community engagement that is a big roll out that really kind of helps lead. I understand not everyone is a master planner and architect and has a background in planning, but the community kind of knows what they have an idea about what they want in certain neighborhoods, so having that in the front end, I would highly encourage.

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said I want to make a comment too about all of that, because just to remind us all that we asked staff to go down this road of the UDO, and there was a ton of engagement and a ton of work on the part of staff, which I certainly appreciate, and last term when we were getting pretty far along with the UDO, people started saying, I do not understand what we are talking about. What are we creating; what are we making? It is a very organic process once you go into it. When Tai came on board, we realized, hang on, we have got to really step back and say how will those ordinances- which that too is just so critical, because it is so darn tough, which is why we have seven hour zoning meetings, because our ordinances crash into each other, because they are layer upon layer and conflict with each other. I appreciate that you are attacking the critical UDO pieces like TOD, transit oriented development, the closes to our mass transit, at the same time, because that is hard to do. It is so important that as we continue to loose valuable land, and we do not really know what it is that we are asking for, where we have opportunities to put affordable housing on mass transit lines, so it is critical that we kind of do some of that together, but I appreciate that work very much.

I hope that we will also have a mapping exercise that includes the County and talks about where parks go, where is green space going to be? Not that we can get them to commit to it but schools so that way when we look at transit, we also know how people are going to get around and how they are living. Will they have things in their community that everyone would like to have? I hope we have an opportunity to include the County in that discussion as well.

Councilmember Newton said I wanted to thank you upfront for this fantastic presentation. I understand the value in the UDO and it streamlining our zoning process. I have expressed some of my chief concerns. I think the most prominent being how this can take the Council and our community out of that process as we streamline so to have little to no conditional rezonings. For that reason, no renderings for development, no community meetings before development occurs and I think that is why, to my colleagues points, that is why this process of the community engagement as we define what the place types are and where they are going to be is so vitally important moving forward. I want to make sure that we are taking proactive measures to reach out to the community to explain just why this is so very important that they be engaged and involved, give their input, their feedback in this process moving forward, and I wanted to ask you too from the stand point of stakeholder and steering committee, which I saw up on one of the slides. What will be the process for selecting those folks? I would ask that we as a Council be included in that process as well.

Mr. Jaiyeoba said we have got a number of opportunities that we can engage the existing Ordinance Advisory Committee or we can engage our Planning Commission, but we want to be very careful. What we are going to do is when we have a consultant involved, we are going to ask them to give us an idea of being objective, folks who have done work in other parts of the country but including Charlotte, to see how do we approach the formation of a steering committee, and we will share that with you. I have actually had a number of people already reach out to me in terms of getting involved, but there are certain perimeters. It has

got to be geographically balanced. It cannot skew too much in one direction. It has also got to not just be developer focused but also neighborhood/community focused. That is very important. So, there are a number of parameters that we are going to lay down. Right now, we do have that as part of our ordinance advisory committee, but we want to be able to reflect that if we do go this route.

Councilmember Mayfield said please ensure that Council knows when you are going out into our Districts, into the community ahead of time.

Councilmember Winston said I know this is one of the first things that we talked about when you came here, so I want to applaud you just for being brave, because this does have some political ramifications that you are putting a process on hold, especially a tool that many developers were trying to get clarity on. So, I applaud you for doing that, but I would tell the community and my colleagues to kind of pay attention to the time line that Tai set up. This vision is going to be as good as the effort that is put in by us and the people that it is going to affect. We just got new carpet on the 15th floor, so I was unpacking my office again earlier today, and I took out the sheet that represents the last comprehensive plan and what it was is all the different many plans put on one sheet of paper. That tells you a little bit about how we have been developing over the last 30 years and why we are dealing with the issues that we are dealing with. So, as we continue to move on in this process, it is going to be really important that we continue to keep our constituents involved in this process, or it will all be for naught.

Councilmember Ajmera said just like my colleagues, I would also like to applaud your leadership in taking this on. I really like how we are taking this move from the holistic approach where we are looking at administrative as well as technical changes. For me, the tree ordinance is near and dear to my heart, and I am glad that we are finally tackling that. We are losing 25,000 trees every year. I think that we have to do something about it. I guess economic growth and development is very important, but at the same time, the natural resources are also very important for us to be sustainable for 20, 30, 40 years down the road. I am looking forward to seeing the technical changes that you have to protect our natural resources and putting it in a holistic perspective from smart infrastructure to housing to good paying jobs.

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ITEM NO. 4: HOUSING CHARLOTTE FRAMEWORK

Pamela Wideman, Director of Housing and Neighborhood Services said I am going to update you on a couple of things regarding the housing framework and the items that you have downstairs. Let me start by thanking the community who continues to be supportive of the affordable housing and to speak out on it, and I can also thank you for all of your support as you have demonstrated, in the past two budgets, around affordable housing.

I will be talking to you tonight about the housing framework, and I will also be talking to you about two different sets of funding requests that you will be asked to approve later on tonight. Neighborhoods are the building blocks of great cities, and great neighborhoods and great cities are built on inclusive and complete neighborhoods. When we talked about what are complete and inclusive neighborhoods, I will point to a couple of things. They have a range of housing options for people at all incomes and ages. They have access to goods and services, multiple ways to get around and quality schools. As it has been alluded to in the previous presentation and some of the remarks around the dais, this is complicated and complex. Creating great neighborhoods and inclusive neighborhoods involves a lot of policies and a lot of framework. Obviously, tonight I am going to talk to you about the housing framework, and Taiwo just talked to you about the comprehensive plan, which go together in terms of creating great neighborhoods and diverse housing.

Mr. Winston, you asked in a committee meeting what has been the impact on affordable or mixed-income housing in our neighborhoods over time. So, we have pointed to two projects that the City has been involved in over time. What you see in front of you is the Cherry community where in 2007 the City participated in an affordable housing development there, and what you see is kind of before and after, and you also see the impacts, the property taxes. One of the questions that we always get is does this bring our property taxes down.

So, what you can see there is how the parcel has increased over time due to the affordable housing, then we also went a step further and showed you what the increase was a mile out. So, we did that for Cherry, which was one of our historic neighborhoods, and we also did this for Double Oaks as well. So, you can see that the affordable housing has been really important to the neighborhoods there, and Double Oaks, I would submit to you that the affordable housing led the redevelopment that you see on Statesville corridor as you travel out that corridor today.

So, the Housing Charlotte Framework, some of you all will remember that this work began in 2016. You all asked us to embark upon a housing framework. We have been at it for a while, and I am happy to deliver you the framework tonight. We have had a lot of stakeholders, internal and external. We have heard a lot about it, so let me just spend a few minutes talking to you about what the framework. You can see the overview. What I would submit to you is there are six trends that are driving the need for this framework, but I will sum that all up by saying that we are growing. We are growing, and housing costs continue to outpace household incomes. We do not have enough affordable rental options to meet the current need, then what is also important to remember is that the largest supply of affordable housing is what we call naturally occurring affordably housing (NOAH), so you will see how this plan or this framework addresses it.

Let me also pause and say that this is a frame work, and not just for the City of Charlotte to implement. We cannot do it by ourselves, but you will see community partners involved in this framework as well. So, I want you all to remember that. Many of you know this slide better than I do, but what we are trying to do is to provide diverse price points of housing, and really your money is really focused on providing rents. We talk about area median incomes, but it is important to break it down in rents. We are trying to provide rents at about \$500 to \$1,000 per month, and these numbers are based on households of four. Again, as I said, Charlotte cannot do it alone. We need many community partners. You all approved a new community partner with this year's budget, LISC, and we are happen that they are coming to the community, and we will not wait until they set up show here. We have already begun working with LISC, so that is very exciting for us. What I would also suggest to you is that this framework builds off of other great efforts that have occurred in this community. Just to name a few, the leading on opportunity report, that group is a partner. The affordable housing report that came out earlier this year that was authored by a group of business sector and private developers and affordable developers known as the Evergreen Group, then also you have heard about the ULI, Urban Land Institute Terwilliger Study that was done a number of years ago, and the good news is that the recommendations that you see in the framework, they all converge. So, they converge with what is outlined in these other reports. We are traveling down the same road in the same lane I would submit to you.

Three core considerations around this frame work and each of these are important. We need to increase the capacity to serve the low-income households with a focus on households earning 60 percent and below. Again, it is always your goal to create mixed-income communities. We believe that there are many benefits for doing that. We want to serve households who are vulnerable to displacement, and we also want to use our housing assets to expand access to opportunity. Again, that links back to the leading on opportunity report and the multiple conversations that we have had in this community over the past several years. The purpose of this slide is to acknowledge that both new construction and preservation are equally as important. We know that we are not going to build our way out of this, so we have to focus on preserving as well. This framework also acknowledges that we need to help people achieve family self-sufficiency. So, that is not only through housing, but we know we also need to take advantage of the work force development opportunities that exist as well.

We have great existing tools, but we also need to add to that tool box. Some that we have used and are going to continue to use, I will just point out the Housing Trust Fund, the Home Investment Partnership Program, and the Emergency Solutions Grant Program, and you guys will have a chance to vote on some funding for the home and emergencies solutions grant later on tonight. That is really important; I point that out too, because we always get the question in the community: how are we serving households earning 30 percent and below. You all will get a chance to see how that plays out tonight if you decide to vote for the ESG

and the home request that you have for you. We have a continuum of housing needs. We meet them with both our local dollars and our federal dollars.

In this, we have a number of strategies, some that we are going to continue to use and some that are new. I will point to just a few. We talked about continuing the support of the development of non-funded four percent and nine percent tax credits. You all do that every year; you have been impeccable with doing that. What we also know though is that not all of our nine percents get funded, so the question became those are good projects; they have been vetted through the State. They have received perfect scores. How do we not let those projects die? So, the answer to that is that we need more money so that they can be turned into four percent, which is another tool. I am not going to get in the weeds there. So, the answer to that was kicked off May 23, 2018. The Foundation for the Carolinas and some private leaders came together. They head a session at the Foundation, and they are going to raise an equitable fund. The genesis of that equity fund or what it will help us to do is provide funding for those developments that we know are great. They go unfunded simply because we do not have enough money as a local government. Again, we won't do it by ourselves. The other one that I will point to is the use of publicly owned land; we had two items deferred tonight that will be back in front of you in August, but that is exactly what that is, that strategy, so the use of publically owned land to further affordable housing. Those two are homeownership opportunities. Manager Jones talked to you about Double Oaks; that is another example of how we can use publically owned land so not just City owned land but publically owned land.

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said when you look at that framework, is that coming through your department to the publicly owned land? That was a question that I had on numbers 46 and 47; the deeds restrictions seemed very short.

Ms. Wideman said without belaboring the point, the short answer is yes; my Department and also Engineering and Property Management, with Tony Korolos. So, the response to that Ms. Eiselt and I have talked to a few of you guys. I will talk more as that- You all put challenged us. It is a good thing to think outside of the box, so in addition on those two, in addition to the House Charlotte Program, which is 10 years, we put deed restriction on the land, so if I am with House Charlotte illegible resident, I decide year five that I want to move out, it has to be sold to another House Charlotte approved person, and the deed restrictions will run for that 10-year period. That was an opportunity to expand what we normally do with House Charlotte to locate in and along, near the light rail. Parkwood is near the light rail, and we will get a 15-year right-of-way easement for the road on Parkwood. This is a new strategy that we are trying to employ. So, we work with my Department and with Real Estate on those.

Ms. Wideman said what I would also point out to you here, and it also relates to leveraging opportunities to develop on infill sites, so that was another opportunity to develop on an infill site. Many of these things you all talked about at your January Retreat, so we are building an airplane and flying at the same time. We are not waiting. We are incorporating action now, so we are moving on some of these things, and you will start to see them coming back to you over the next several months.

The last thing that I would point out to you here is the strategy number four, around continuing to support workforce development programs. We know that we can build and preserve all of the housing in the world, but we also have to reach across partnerships and organizations to prepare folks for workforce development opportunities. So, we acknowledge that as well.

Councilmember Mayfield said before we go further, we skipped over preservation. We need to have a conversation so that the community understands what we are focusing on.

Ms. Wideman said sure Ms. Mayfield and I alluded to this earlier. What I would point to here is we need to prioritize large scale NOAH. So, as I said at the beginning of the presentation, we know that our largest stock of affordable housing in this City is Naturally Occurring Affordable Housing. What that means to the community is that while it is affordable, it has no long-term deed restrictions on it. So, people can decided to sale or whatever they want to do, and that is not wrong, but we want to be in a position where we can acquire that property, place long-term deed restrictions, rehabilitate it so that it is suitable housing and maintain that

long-term affordability. So, that is what we mean by preservation. It is not just preservation of multi-family, but it is also preservation of single family as well. You all again did something great with your budget this year. You authored an Aging in Place program, so this is another way that we will increase our efforts to allow citizens in this community to age in place and take care of some of the deferred maintenance on their homes where they qualify. So, that is what the preservation is about.

Ms. Mayfield said as we are still on preservation, we are going to still look to do I hope more work around strategy three. I have a concern with us putting in a bullet, the coordination specifically with the Housing Authority regarding the vouchers, because I feel like it could give false hope or misinformation in the community, because the Housing Authority has a limited number of vouchers. Those vouchers are not interchangeable. So, whatever vouchers that we are asking for to be used in another area, are vouchers that Housing Authority recipients are not going to have access to. So, we have other partners, so identifying one partner, we need to look at. Somewhere in this conversation, as we are looking to be creative, we cannot just keep looking at best practices. We are going to have to be one of the ones that create some of the best practices and do some outside of the box thinking, but no one has had any real conversations of tracking displacement. So, we have great development that the City has invested in over the years, but we are never having the conversation, and Ms. Wideman this is really for the Manager to look in at how we move forward: the displacement of all of those who are currently living there and the percentage of people who then have access, because if you have a brand new development and that development once had 650 units in it with over 12,000 families and less than 35 of the new units are accessible to what was once 650 units, then there is a transition and an exodus that we need to be looking at, because that is also creating a challenge in surrounding areas. So, I do not know if that is going to fall within the City or if that is partnering with UNC, Johnson C. Smith, but we have to start looking at what is the impact when we are looking to do investment. We are going to be having a conversation about Brookhill. We have had other conversations, and we cannot just keep saying, well utilizing your tools, this is the best way. Maybe it is; maybe it isn't.

Ms. Wideman said Ms. Mayfield, your points are well taken on the vouchers and the displacement, and I will assure you that we are partnering with the Charlotte Housing Authority, so they are on board with how we have talked about this. So, we understand that we are not creating any new vouchers. You are absolutely right about that. I want to be cognizant of the time; I will breeze through the rest of this. Basically, I have already talked about this; Charlotte cannot go it alone. We have to be intentional; we need our community partners, and we want to focus our housing investments so that we can achieve access to high opportunity areas. A couple of things that are going to be coming forward to you, you will be asked to approve the framework at your August 27, 2018 meeting. We are doing lots of work over the summer and in the fall around these policies, and I will remind you that a lot of this was talked about at your January Retreat, so we are moving.

Tonight, you also have some funding requests over the next couple of months. We are going to continue to bring you opportunities for NOAHs as we get them. Publically owned land, we are working with Engineering; we are going to bring you some proposals on some parcels of publically owned land that we have been working with developers on. I will just jump right in to the Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO).

Marcus Jones, City Manager said Mayor Pro Tem, if it is okay with you, if there needs to be more discussion about the framework, these two items are on the business agenda. So, during the Manager's time, I could let you use some of that if there needs to be more discussion about the frame work.

Ms. Mayfield said I want a million five, so I am just going to go ahead and put that out there, because like I said, we have to be more creative. I have already had this conversation with Ms. Wideman and Ms. Campbell. Right now, we are losing housing quicker than we can identify it, but we have housing right now that is going on the market for \$60,000/\$70,000 when you have current renters paying \$500, \$600, \$700, \$800, \$900 rent in these homes, and these homes are literally being purchased and flipped. Before the sale is done the house is going back on the market. We do not have the luxury right now to try to wait for one of our partners to come in and lead that since it takes 30 to 45 days or so. We need to be proactive to get some of this housing, then work with our partners, or work with getting that CDC or

partnering with that CDC or working with that private investor that has the same goal that we do to keep this affordable. We need to step in now on the front end and look at some of this like some of these homes are going to have some leans on it. We need to be working with the County, as well as the banks, since our partners so far have identified \$5 million. I am still waiting for the other \$45 million to help with the \$50 million. If we are going to be aggressive and we are going to really think outside of the box, what I would be fearful of is a year from now we have spent 75% of the funds and you have not seen the impact, because complete communities have yet again been transitioned and not had the diversity in housing, because we were not thinking about being proactive enough. We were waiting to see for someone else to do it for us to create the best practice. That is why I am throwing out that I want \$1.5 million, because I have already calculated an overall with seeing how much housing is going for now, where we probably can get in and identify at least around 200 homes, not apartments and give people opportunity.

Councilmember Bokhari said there are four things that I have either questions or concern me that I think are fundamental in getting all of this right by the end of it. One, I know that I am a broken record on this, but we need to continue to have our debate and dialogue on the balance and differences in synergies between the number of units, the quantity of those, and paired with the locational policy, which is directly related to upward mobility and how we are going to balance those when challenges come in and decisions need to be prioritized. Two is the difference between looking at this just in affordable housing and then looking at it in the broader view of upward mobility and everything. The thing that jumps to my mind, you mentioned county partnership and the importance there. This is an affordable housing challenge but there is also sort of a social services crisis as well and just kind of building over 19,000 30 percent AMI units and below and tossing them out there and saying here they are, is not going to solve this problem. Three is making sure that our partner organizations are more than just things that we list up on a slide to make us all feel good, look who we are working with and that we are all on the same page, because it is very infrequent that we get to hear from them and how they view it, versus those conversations happening and we see it. A great example there is Away Home. I love that model when I learned about it I learned more directly from them in that one space that they are in than I did from a lot of other stuff, yet I still only kind of hear one view there. That piece I think is incredibly important. Four was, I cannot remember four right now.

Councilmember Ajmera said if you go back to a slide where you have 60 percent or below AMI, do we have a breakdown of the overall mix?

Ms. Wideman said what I think that you are asking is we can tell you since the inception of the Housing Trust Fund where we have spent the money. So, what I will tell you is we have produced over 7,000 units from the Housing Trust Fund. Over half of those or right at half of those 3,000 and something, have been for households earning 30 percent and below.

Ms. Ajmera said are we setting some percentage or some allocation for overall mix moving forward? This will be allocated to say 30 percent and below; this will be 60 percent to 80 percent or 80 percent and above.

Ms. Wideman said we are not recommending that Councilmember Ajmera for a number of reasons. We know that with nine percent tax credit deals, 25 percent of those deals have to be 30 percent and below. We want to provide the best opportunity in keeping with the State's regulations, to leverage your dollars. We want to provide the best opportunity to create mixed-income neighborhoods. We know that there is value for that. Then, when you talk about four percent deals that are not as competitive, we are working on our locational policy right now, and the committee will tell you, we have explored some scoring criteria that will get you more 30 percent that will be aligned with your Council priorities. So, we are really trying to- This is very complex as I said. So, we are trying to honor your many commitments and leverage your dollars. The Foundation for the Carolinas and LISC, they are also interested in our scoring model as well so that they can even apply it to deals that will be funded in the absence of your money, and we want to honor getting developments in areas of high opportunity, all of that. I would submit to you that we are not allocating based on AMI, but we are trying to balance in terms of building a holistic community.

Ms. Ajmera said I would argue that I think if you really want to truly balance the community and address the needs, we do want to be very mindful about allocating a certain percentage to the most vulnerable. I think that it is great that we are going to work with nine percent, because that does give us 25 percent that is 30 percent and below, but if we do set priorities, I think we will be more aggressive, and I think that is what we need to do to address the needs that we currently have. I know that when consultants did a presentation, we saw that the majority of the needs when it comes to affordable housing, it is at 30 percent and below AMI, so I think that we might want to consider than. Another question that I have is about the governance. The affordable housing development request, as they come in, is there a specific criterion that is set to insure that there is a full transparency?

Ms. Wideman said absolutely Ms. Ajmera. First of all, we mimic kind of the State's criteria, so it is full transparency per forma and within the RFPs that we issue, we have specific criteria that they have to meet as well, so there is transparency. What I will tell you is that anyone who has done this work can see what is on our website. They can see what is on the State website. They know where to go in addition to just contacting us to get all of the information that is out there, and we bring each deal, in terms of transparency, to you all for you all to ask questions about, so there is transparency.

Ms. Ajmera said I have one more request. I recently heard from a resident that had a voucher, and they were struggling with finding a property to rent, and their voucher was 30 percent and below, and I hear that many times where those residents that have vouchers are struggling with trying to find a unit. The other thing that I want us to consider is that when a developer does include 30 percent and below AMI in their affordable housing request, that they commit to accept public or private vouchers, regardless of race, age, or gender.

Ms. Wideman said right, Ms. Ajmera, I will tell you that anybody who is receiving state or federal dollars; they have to accept a voucher. We also thought may need some help from our legislatures. The private market, they do not have to accept a voucher, but where you participate, folks do accept vouchers.

Ms. Ajmera said so, if they got affordable housing dollars from the City, could that be part of the request that they could accept public or private voucher?

Ms. Wideman said I am telling you that they do now, today. They have to.

Mr. Bokhari said number four was regulatory impact on the cost of housing, thank you.

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ITEM NO. 5: EFFICIENCY IN GOVERNMENT

Due to time constraints, this item will be presented at a future meeting.

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ITEM NO. 6: ANSWERS TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL CONSENT ITEM QUESTIONS

There were no Consent Item questions.

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The meeting was recessed at 6:45 p.m. to move to the Meeting Chamber for the regularly scheduled Business meeting.

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BUSINESS MEETING

The City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina reconvened for a Business Meeting on Monday, July 23, 2018 at 6:52 p.m. in the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Government Center with Mayor Pro Tem Julie Eiselt presiding. Councilmembers present were Dimple Ajmera, Tariq Bokhari, Larken Egleston, Justin Harlow, LaWana Mayfield, James Mitchell, Matt Newton, Greg Phipps, and Braxton Winston.

ABSENT: Mayor Vi Lyles and Councilmember Ed Driggs

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INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Councilmember Mayfield gave the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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PUBLIC FORUM

Repairs at Youth Crisis Center

Joe Foster, 119 E. 8th Street said I am proud to be the Chairman of the Board of Relatives, and first of all, thank you so much for having me here today. For those of you who do not know, the Relatives is a non-profit organization that serves thousands of at-risk youth, young adults, and their families via our three facilities in the City, but the subject of tonight’s vote is the approval of funding for the crisis center on East Boulevard. For your information, our other two facilities are a recourse center for young adults, located in uptown and referred to as the On Ramp program and a traditional living home for young males aging out of foster care, Journey Place.

On Ramp works with disconnected homeless and transition age youth, ages 16 to 24, helping them find housing, employment, education, and community life skills. This program has filled a huge gap in services here in Charlotte, serving over 650 youth and providing housing for over 25 homeless young adults annually. Back to the Crisis Center, which has been a staple in Charlotte since 1974 providing a safe place for youth who have run away, or homeless, victims of human trafficking, or experiencing a crisis, with nowhere else to turn, and it is the first of its kind in the Carolinas. The Crisis Center remains the only shelter for youth here in Mecklenburg County. Our program provides 24-hour walk-in service and residential care to 250 youth as well as telephone hotline services to over 3,000 individuals each year. For more than 30 years, our program has operated out of a 1924 home in Dilworth, and there is a big benefit of operating a youth shelter in a charming, historic home. It is a warm and inviting place for children experiencing difficulties, but as you can probably imagine, the drawback of operating a 94 year old home is a continued wear and tear of serving over 300 kids a year for more than 30 years, and as a not-for profit, the Relatives work to provide quality programing while allocating the maximum amount of resources to our direct services, which unfortunately means facilities often get left behind. The recent inspection of the Crisis Center highlighted many critical repairs. Among others, these included shoring up the foundation, replacing windows, updating the HVAC, and so on. So, your vote tonight on funding will help insure that the Crisis Center remains a resource for children in crisis in this City for many years to come. Thank you to the staff of the City’s Housing and Neighborhood Services, for their assistance during this process, and thank you to each of the Councilmembers for your consideration.

Reducing the Homelessness Population in Charlotte

Concetta Germain, 5806 Blue Savannah Drive, Leesburg, Florida said one year ago, I found myself homeless. I never imagined that would happen to me. I have always been an over achiever. As a single parent, I placed myself through school, acquired an MBA in International Business, undergrad in Marketing. I took my daughter through college as a single-working parent and yet I found myself in this situation. The reason for bringing this background about myself to you is just to mention that many of the homeless people who are on the streets seem to have a different or a stigma. That is not always correct; my

background is not a typical to many of the homeless people across the country. The National Alliance of Homelessness actually did a program last year and indicated that more than 40 percent of all homeless people return back in the system after two years. With the many programs that have been used for rapid rehousing, transitional housing, and such programs, how is it possible that these people go through the program and back more than once in two years? My program, that I have designed after going the research and going through the journey of homelessness myself, is called My Way Home, not physical home per say but My Way Home. It is a mind transformation program that transforms the individual, how he sees life, how he sees society, makes him more dependent on himself in conjunction with assistance of the City and the community. So, I created a six-month program with a five first days being very intense and the remaining six months for accountability purposes. So, we are hoping that I will be able to present on a more personal basis, how the program works, what is possible to help us permanently reduce the incidents of homelessness. I have short summaries here about approximately six for each of you, and if you have any questions, my name and number is on the last page.

Republican National Convention

Leslie Dwyer, 2528 Laburnum Avenue said you do not call; you do not write, and I have one fun moment in the last four weeks telling the Chamber President that he missed his chance to speak, and you blew that too, and see they think that it is about money to your campaigns and have moved on to recalls and have absolutely no idea that it is about the strategic partnerships with you. See, advocates for housing, racial justice, and poverty really need to take a minute to learn how we do economic development now, and that is why I am asking them to join in with Jobs for CLT and just do the work, then as a City we will follow along. If you are a fiscal conservative and concerned about bringing jobs, this is a non-profit [inaudible] and it is an economic catalyst where we actually need it. See, this is straight-up market economics, so if you are not racist, then you win too. Now, when you take them together, what we do for economic development is making this all worse, and now just as I need people in this City to trust each other and try to make this work, you bring the most decisive man this country has ever seen. I am so disappointed that Mayor Lyles chose not to be here tonight, so let me just relay to you the conversation that we had four weeks ago about the fact that special taxes create things like the CRVA and Center City Partners and a Chamber relationship so that they get help pitching deals in economic development, and most of all, they institutionalize problems that we had 20-years ago and they are not the ones that we have now. So, as soon as 1.5 percent of the registered voters in this City choose to follow this project for one year, please understand I am not their consensus builder. I am their negotiator.

Requesting Stop Signs on W. Craighead Road

Gary Marion, 812 W. Craighead Road said I am a disabled US Marine Core veteran. I live on west Craighead Road, Charlotte 28206. It is a dangerous road that needs stop signs for cars to slow down, and we also have trucks with over two axles that are driving through our street on a regular basis 24 hours a day. The residents requested four stop signs at two three-way intersections. The trucks driving through our residential neighborhood unlawfully, unfortunately we were denied due process, which I believe is against our Constitutional rights, First and Fourteenth Amendments. These are the facts, not opinions, just the facts. I have done several news reports with Fox 46 and WBTV. Angela Berry, DOT Program Manager denied us stop signs over the phone, told me that Sofley Road and Drury Drive did not have enough volume of traffic for us to qualify for stop signs. She also told us on July 13, 2018 during the news interview that she would assist me with the petition process. Allison Naftel, DOT Field Supervisor who handles the petition process also told me over the phone that Sofley Road and Drury Drive did not have enough volume of traffic for us to qualify for stop signs. Note, I have not seen any documents that justify that rule or law. Mayor Lyles, she responded by emails just agreeing with Angela Berry and Allison Naftel. Very disappointed. Candace Inge, DOT Engineering Service Investigator informed Officer Douglas Gallant, CMPD Area 3 Community Coordinator of the laws regarding trucks driving through our community. Ms. Inge did have data collection machines placed on West Craighead and Hyde Drive because speeds were much higher at that section of the roadway. Data was also taken on July 17 as well at another section of West Craighead Road. Shawn Philips, DOT Transportation Analyst explained to me the process and procedure of the data collection.

Charlotte Sheriff's Department had a major operation the morning of July 25, 2018. They assembled 10 patrol cars on West Craighead Road and issued 25 tickets in 60 minutes. Can you imagine how many tickets we would get in eight hours? Traffic accidents were on the following dates: June 22 and July 11. I, Gary Marion have almost been read ended on two occasions pulling into my drive way. The car behind me was traveling at such a past rate of speed that he had to drive onto my neighbor's property to avoid hitting me. Marsh Road in Charlotte, wow great neighborhood; 28209 has four intersections with three-way stop signs in that area.

Hydrail Technology

Duncan Snider, 11007 Chastain Parc Drive said I am a first year physics major at Mr. Winston's alma mater, Davidson College. I am here today on behalf of the hydrail initiative, to give you a quick presentation on hydrogen train technology. Hydrail is a wireless transit electrification system utilizing fuel cells. Hydrogen is combined with oxygen from the air to produce electricity with the only emissions being water. This eliminates pollutants and the need for overhead electrification, the same principle technology as the 1880 electric street car. To put things in perspective, this is the same technology that has been used since the time of Ulises S. Grant. Hydrail is also much less expensive than overhead electrification. It cost about \$10 million less per mile to build and \$150,000 less per mile annually in operating cost. There are now 15 countries that have hydrail involvement with manufacturing already underway in Germany and China. Earlier this year, the United Kingdom ordered 100 hydrail trains from the manufacturer Alstom. Interestingly enough, in 2013, the University of Birmingham UK graduated the first PHD in Hydrail Technology, and they have a partnership with UNCC for research on railway technology. Another hydrail link to Charlotte is one that I can personally speak to. Last summer, through the Charlotte's Mayor Youth Employment Program, I worked an internship at Siemen's Charlotte Energy Hub. Siemens also announced last year that they were partnering with a Canadian company Ballard to purchase hydrogen fuel cells. A site has yet to be chosen, although my internship experience leads me to believe that Charlotte would be a prime location with the innumerable environmental and economic benefits. There are many like me who believe, with your help, Charlotte could be the next to board this train, pun intended. In fact, Charlotte and Mooresville worked on hydrail together until 2010, when a change in leadership at CATS decided to abandon hydrail. Recently, both the United States Department of Energy and Transportation have appointed point persons to hydrail. The final thought that I would like to leave you with is this: hydrail is not the future; it is the present.

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said your talk is timely, because we do have here tonight one of our former City Councilmembers Mr. David Howard, who is also the Deputy Director of the NCDOT, so we welcome you David.

Concerns of Airport Employees

Donielle Prophete, 8848 Avebury Drive said I am a customer service agent for American Airlines subsidiary called Piedmont Airlines. I am also the Vice President of our local CWA Local 3645, and I represent about 1300 Charlotte agents. I am here today to ask for some help from the City, because we have had a lot of passengers who are traveling through Charlotte that decide to get angry and attack our passenger service agents. The CMPD run the Airport; they police the Airport, but if they are not on site to actually see the passenger hit us, they refuse to arrest the passenger. When we are told that we have to file charges ourselves, once we go to the Magistrates office because the passengers do not live in Charlotte, we cannot file charges. We are told that we have to fly to their city. On February 6, 2014 I was attacked by a passenger who snatched her bag out of my hand. The passenger cut my finger. My finger swelled. I ended up contracting MRSA and was out of work for 22 days. I was not able to press charges against that passenger, because the police did not take the passenger. The passenger went on to catch their next flight. Meanwhile, I was stuck out of work, workers comp, unpaid for seven days and was stuck home for 22 days having to take medicine in the face of risking my life. So, what we are here for today, we are here to ask for some protections from the City Council. We would like to request a meeting with the CMPD Police Chief and the City Manager to come and talk to the passenger service agency to tell us how you can help us feel more secure and safe, because if we cannot prosecute these people, like the passenger cannot attack the flight attendant at all and they get arrested

immediately, but we are the ground crew, the customer service gate agents, the ramp agency. We had a ramp manager get blacked in the eye, and he could not prosecute, and that passenger was not arrested. We would like your support and coming out and securing Charlotte Douglas International Airport.

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said I am going to ask the Manager to follow up with us on some steps that we can take to address her concerns, thank you.

Marcus Jones, City Manager said I will.

Vera Parker, 10124 Shaffer Valley Way said I work for Piedmont Airlines, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of American Airlines. I work at Charlotte Douglas Airport. I am here today to present issues and ask for your resolution and your assistance for the smoking issue at the Airport. When you get off the shuttle and you walk into the main doors of the Airport, there is a sign that says, "We are a non-smoking facility." That is patently untrue. We have passengers who smoke in designated areas, undesignated areas; they smoke on the tarmac getting on the plane. They smoke on the tarmac getting off the plane. They smoke in the bathrooms to the point that they have had to put smoke detectors in there. They just smoke. Now, let me tell you why that is an issue. I am here on behalf of myself and the other people at the Airport who are allergic to smoke or who have asthma. We should not have to be subjected to the byproduct to someone else's nasty habit. I am 67-years old. I take responsibility for my health. I have done everything that I have needed to do to maintain a healthy lifestyle, so I really have an issue with people who impede upon that and that I have to be bothered by a habit that they have. Let me tell you what my day is like going to work. When I get off the shuttle, first of all, the Airport smells like a cigarette butt, so, that is the esthetic I have once I get off the shuttle. Once I have started to proceed to the employee entrance, there is a designated smoking area between 15 to 40 people standing there blowing out smoke. So, I finally make my way through there and I get to the turn style to check in, and there are employees standing under the no-smoking sign smoking. That is what it takes. So, if I decide to go through the passenger area, there are people who are in the non-smoking area smoking. I recently went to Miami, and when I stepped out, there were palm trees, and there were flags. It was very nice, and I could breathe. When I get to my job, my chest is tight, because people are smoking. There are 480,000 smoking related deaths in the US every year, but here is the issue that I have: 41,000 of those die because of second-hand smoke. That is not going to be my testimony. That is not going to be my story. We make choices about living, and we make choices about dying. I have chosen not to die because of second-hand smoke. So, what I am asking is that you protect me and others. I was going through the turnstiles, and there was a lady there with a baby in a baby buggy in the designated smoking area with 40 people smoking, with a baby. That baby could not speak for herself, so somebody needs to stand up for that baby. Somebody needs to stand up for me. Somebody needs to stand up for other people who are trying to lead a clean lifestyle, and my thing is, Mya Angelou said if people do not know better they do not do better, but when people know better, they should do better. Tonight, everybody knows better.

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said I know these are all Airport issues, so I will say to Ms. Parker too that we will take all of these concerns and talk about them as one issue for the Airport.

Douglas Christian, 8904 Hedge Maple Road said I work at the Charlotte Douglas International Airport, and our topic of discussion is safety, employee safety in the employee parking lots at the Charlotte Douglas International Airport. There is poor lighting at each one of the employee parking lots; the security to get in and out of the parking lots is very sparse. We see people walking under the gate; we see cars going around it, and the main issue here is that the individuals are having their cars damaged. I passed around the folders, because in there you will find pictures where employees have taken trips and come back and their cars are severely damaged, whether it be from vandalism, car keying, break-ins, flat tires or so forth. If you look at some of the pictures there, there is one with the orange sign where the gate was actually broken; it hasn't been fixed. It has been like that for six months. That is very, very unacceptable. The City runs the Airport, and we feel like employees sent me here to say that we need help, because any day that they go in there and they come out and they have worked hard and you come back and your car is damaged, that is unacceptable. I talked to the police supervisor at the Airport, Mr. Robert Fray, and he is supposed to be getting me some numbers with some figures on them about the damages back from January

of 2017 all the way to current. He did explain to me that that is an issue and that they need help as well. The cameras out there, we need cameras 24/7. We do not have that. My solution to this whole situation would be in the middle where you have the gates there, we should be able to have buildings there where someone is manning those buildings 24/7. The Airport is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week; therefor, people come and go or people from the streets walk in there. They could be waiting on someone. You could be coming off of a hard day or come off of a flight and next thing you know, you are getting attacked or you come back and your car is damaged. What do you do? You come to the City, and no one has answers for us. We need answers; we are asking for help from the City Council, from the Police Department and from everyone to give us the help that we need. Basically, we have a lot of different issues, like I said the trees; they need to be cut back. People can hide behind them and in between them, so we are trying to figure out who is responsible for handling those issues as far as the cutting back of the trees. Basically, a lot of the employees are concerned because the ones who work at night, basically they get off anywhere between 11:00 p.m. and 1:00 a.m. What is to happen then as far as safety? We need security, and we need it 24/7. We need cameras to be monitored 24/7. We need these things because hey, we work for the Airport. That is one of the largest employers here in Charlotte. We need these things, and we are asking the City Council to help us get some of these things put in order before there are some actions.

Takiyah Gaither, 7913 Bushy Creek Drive said I am an employee of Piedmont Airlines, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of American Airlines. I currently ride the 590 Northlake bus to the Airport, and there are a lot of us who do. That is actually scheduled for discontinuation on October 1, 2018, and I am here to say that I think we should continue that bus and a couple of reasons why. We are currently trying to get our wages raised, and ending that bus will create a financial hardship for many of us. There are a lot of people who moved to that area specifically so they can ride that bus as an employee, and that is one of the reasons why I think that we should continue that bus. We had an issue, and we spoke with the City about it one time. They said ridership was low. What they did not say was that ridership across CATS from last year to this year is down 11 percent, so it is not just our bus, and if Charlotte wants to be a major City, we have to have public transport. We need that. Most cities that you go to, they have public transportation that can get you back and forth from the Airport. In Charlotte, it is not like that; when they gave us an out alternate route, with that alternate route, I would have to start my trip at 5:35 in the morning, come downtown, transfer, then go to the airport. I start at 6:00 a.m., and I would not get to work until 6:58 a.m. So, that would make me and the same people who work my shift, they would also be late. We are asking that you please, please keep this bus going. We are the people that passengers see. We are the faces of Charlotte Douglas Airport. We make that Airport successful. We make it friendly for our passengers. We are the gate agents, the pilots, just people who work in the food court, a lot of us depend on that bus. We are the life blood. We are voters, tax payers, so please, please, please continue our 590 Northlake bus.

Importance of Bicycle Safety

Alan Sussman, 532 Church Street said thank you for allowing me to speak to you this evening. I am a resident of the Fourth Ward, and I have lived and bicycled in Charlotte for over 30 years for commuting, exercise, and pleasure. Most of you do not know me, but on August 24, 2015, I had a serious accident when I was struck by a car while riding my bike. The driver of the car did not have a valid driver's license, and I was biking by myself with a bright uniform with lights on both sides of my bike. I was on my regular route from uptown that I chose, because it is mostly a bike lane, and I always observe all traffic laws. After the accident, I was left unconscious, did not wake up until I was transported to the trauma center emergency room, but one thing that I learned immediately is that I survived this accident, because I was wearing a proper helmet as I always did while riding my bike. After sustaining many broken bones, a crushed spinal cord injury, and a blow to the head resulting in a hematoma to my brain, I learned a lot having spent almost two years in hospitals, rehabilitation centers, and therapy gyms in my wheelchair. Despite fears to the contrary and the misbelief of my incredible neurosurgeon, I was able to get out of that wheelchair last year and start walking again. Now, I have come back to an uptown Charlotte that is strewn with docked and undocked bike shares, scooters, and owned bikes that are ridden by young people and rarely wearing a helmet. Charlotte speaks of becoming a "bike friendly" community, but what I feel it needs is to be a bike friendly and safe community. While

separate bike paths would be an ideal situation, this has always been long in the coming. I have seen too many people, especially young people, in the last three years that will spend the rest of their lives in a wheelchair as a result of accidental injury. I would like to propose to our city and community that they join Seattle, the only city in our country that has a helmet bike law requiring all cyclists to wear a safety helmet regardless of age. Just as North Carolina law requires all motorcyclists to wear helmets, it is time for change, and Charlotte needs to move forward in a positive way with a sensitive new law that addresses not just a friendly bike community but a healthy and safe one.

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said once again, you just bring up the issues that are at our heart. We love the new scooters, the bikes, not everyone does, and we are all fighting for sidewalk space, road space, and we have to figure out a way to do it safely, so thank you.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Emily Kunze, Deputy City Clerk announced corrections to tax IDs for several property transactions for the record; Item No. 75, the correct tax ID is 055-369-50; Item No. 83, the correct tax IDs are 093-103-10 and 093-103-15; and, Item No. 95, the correct tax IDs are 165-201-98 and 165-201-99.

Councilmember Bokhari said regarding Item No. 63, Airport Funds from North Carolina Department of Transportation, I just want to make sure that everyone in the audience and watching today knows what this is and how grateful we are that this has occurred \$25 million for Charlotte Douglas Airport was allocated via the 2017 Appropriations Act; it was SB99. The funding was allocated for fiscal year 2019. It is going to be used for land acquisition and several other things that are part of our strategic plan and very important, so I think a big thank you is due to the entire legislature, especially folks like Representative Andy Dulin and Representative Scott Stone but most importantly Representative Bill Brawly who really went to bat for Charlotte and the Airport in doing so, and I just want to make sure that everyone was aware and say a very humble thank you to those folks.

Motion was made by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to approve Consent Agenda as presented with the exceptions of Item No. 31, which was pulled by Councilmember Winston for a separate vote; Item Nos. 46, 47, 93, 94, and 98 which were pulled by staff and will be brought back at the August 27, 2018 meeting; Item Nos. 85, 86, 88 and 96 which were settled; and, Item No. 77 which was pulled for a speaker.

Item No. 28: Firefighting Foam Contract

(A) Approve the purchase of firefighting foam, as authorized by sole source exemption of G.S. 143-129 (e)(6), (B) Approve a unit price contract with Municipal Emergency Services for the purchase of Foam Concentrate for the term of one year, and (C) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to four, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 29: Firefighter Helmets and Boots

(A) Approve a unit price contract for the purchase of Firefighter Helmets and Boots for three years to the following: Atlantic Emergency Solutions Inc., Municipal Emergency Services, Newton’s Fire and Safety Equipment Inc., and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contracts for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contracts were approved.

Item No. 30: Fire Wireless Headsets and Equipment

(A) Approve a unit price contract to the lowest responsive bidder, Bear Communications Inc., for the purchase of wireless headsets and equipment for two years, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to three, one-year terms with possible price adjustments, and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Summary of Bids

Bear Communications	\$ 82,750.00
Atlantic Emergency Solutions	\$ 85,960.00
Amerizon of NC	\$ 87,484.00
Holzberg Communications	\$100,320.00
Setcom Corporation *	-----

* Setcom Corporation's bid was rejected because they submitted a bid for a product that was not specified in the solicitation.

Item No. 32: Police Firearm Ammunition

(A) Approve a unit price contract for the purchase of Ammunition for one year to the following: Dana Safety Supply Inc. and Lawmens Distribution LLC*, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contracts for up to four, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contracts were approved.

Item No. 33: Youth Diversion Program Grant

Accept a grant in the amount of \$99,612 from the Mecklenburg County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council to fund the Youth Diversion Program.

Item No. 34: 2017 Justice Assistance Grant

Accept a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice in the amount of \$507,734 from the Justice Assistance Grant Program.

Item No. 35: Resolution of Intent to Abandon a Portion of an Alleyway off of West Palmer Street

(A) Adopt a Resolution of Intent to Abandon a portion of an alleyway off of West Palmer Street, And (B) Set a Public Hearing for August 27, 2018.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 30-32.

Item No. 36: Private Developer Funds Appropriation

(A) Approve Developer Agreements with Bainbridge Communities Acquisition III, LLC, Kenwood Sharon Lane, LLC, Apex Southpark SPE, LLC, Hartford Fire Insurance Company, and 1213 W. Morehead Street GP LLC for traffic signal installations and improvements, and (B) Adopt Budget Ordinance No. 9388-X appropriating \$452,681 in private developer funds for traffic signal installations and improvements.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page(s) 520.

Item No. 37: Traffic Data Collection and Processing Services

Approve a contract for up to \$475,000 over five years with Quality Counts, LLC for traffic data collection and processing services.

Item No. 38: Pavement Condition Rating Services

Approve a contract for up to \$549,900 with Data Transfer Solutions for Pavement Condition Rating Analysis Services.

Item No. 39: Central Avenue/Kilborne Drive/Norland Road Pedestrian Improvements Project Design Phase

Approve a contract in the amount of \$272,960 with Alta Planning + Design, Inc. for engineering design services for the Central Avenue/Kilborne Drive/Norland Road Pedestrian Improvements Project.

Item No. 40: Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department Hickory Grove Division Station Construction

(A) Reject the low-bid submitted by Miles-McClellan Construction Company, Inc. for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department Hickory Grove Division Station Construction, and (B) Approve a contract in the amount of \$7,843,254.15 to the lowest responsive bidder MV Momentum Construction, LLC for the Charlotte Mecklenburg Police Department Hickory Grove Division Station Project.

Summary of Bids

Miles McClellan Construction Company, Inc. *	\$7,827,000.00
MV Momentum Construction LLC	\$7,843,254.15
Holden Building Company, Inc.	\$7,943,171.00
Carmel Contractors, Inc.	\$8,062,955.00
Southside Constructors, Inc.	\$8,303,709.70
Emmett Sapp Builders, Inc.	\$8,729,400.00
China Construction America of S.C., Inc.	\$8,847,200.00

* Miles McClellan Construction Company, Inc. failed to meet the City's Charlotte Business INClusion Program established subcontracting goal.

Item No. 41: Plumbing and Miscellaneous Related Supplies

(A) Approve unit price contracts with the following companies for the purchase of plumbing and miscellaneous related supplies for three years: Ferguson Enterprises, Inc. dba Ferguson Facilities Supply, MORSCO Supply, LLC., and (B) Authorize the City Manager to approve possible price adjustments and amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contracts were approved.

Item No. 42: Fleet Management Parts Outsourcing

(A) Approve a contract with MANCON LLC for providing Parts Department Outsourcing Service for an initial term of five years, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two, additional one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 43: Vehicle Communication and Electrical Equipment Installation and Removal Services

(A) Approve a unit price contract with Mobile Communications America for vehicle communication and electrical equipment installation and removal services for an initial term of three years, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 44: Land Acquisition for Charlotte Gateway Station

(A) Approve the purchase of five parcels (parcel identification numbers 073-162-01, 073-162-02, 073-161-06, 073-161-03, 073-161-01) of approximately 1.1 acres located at West 4th Street and South Graham Street for \$6,810,000 from Mecklenburg County, and (B) Adopt a budget ordinance 9389-X appropriating \$4,475,892 from Municipal Debt Service Fund Balance.

The Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page(s) 521.

Item No. 45: Land Acquisition for Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department South Division Station

Approve the purchase of a 7.5-acre parcel (parcel identification number 223-132-08) located at 11217 Providence Road West for the amount of \$5,175,000.

Item No. 48: 501 East Trade Street Parking Management Services

Approve a two-year contract with LAZ Parking GA, LLC for parking management services.

Item No. 49: Stevens Creek Lift Station, Force Main, and Gravity Sewer

Approve a contract in the amount of \$12,102,796.47 to the lowest responsive bidder English Construction Company, Inc. for construction of the Stevens Creek Lift Station, Force Main, and Gravity Sewer.

Summary of Bids

English Construction Company, Inc.	\$12,102,796.47
State Utility Contractors	\$15,821,245.45
Dellinger, Inc.	\$17,140,543.00

Item No. 50: Construct Vacuum Truck Receiving Station

Approve a contract in the amount of \$1,145,100 to the lowest responsive bidder Dellinger, Inc. for the construction of Zone 4 Facility Vacuum Truck Receiving Station.

Summary of Bids

Dellinger, Inc.	\$1,145,100.00
State Utility Contractors, Inc.	\$1,203,400.00
Gilbert Engineering	\$1,219,328.00
The Harper Corporation	\$1,471,690.00
Brushy Mountain Builders	\$1,650,000.00

Item No. 51: Excavation and Trenching Equipment Purchase

(A) Approve a unit price contract to the lowest responsive bidder NTS Mikedon LLC, dba National Trench Safety, for the purchase of Excavation and Trenching Equipment for an initial term of two years, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to three additional, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Summary of Bids

The complete Summary of Bids is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Item No. 52: Charlotte Water Stone Hauling Service

(A) Approve a unit price contract with Silverback Brothers LLC for hauling stone for an initial term of one year, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to three additional, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 53: LYNX Blue Line Maintenance of Way Services

(A) Approve a contract for up to \$304,410.75 with R. J. Corman Railroad Services, LLC for Maintenance of Way services for the LYNX Blue and Gold Lines, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 54: Airport Energy Infrastructure/South Campus Fiber Ductbank Change Order #1

Approve change order #1 for \$1,937,839 to Brooks Berry Haynie & Associates, Inc. for Energy Infrastructure/South Campus Fiber Ductbank project electrical infrastructure.

Item No. 55: Airport Runway 18L/36R High Intensity Runway Lights and Cable Rehabilitation

Approve a contract in the amount of \$398,358.60 to the lowest responsive bidder Brooks Berry Haynie & Associates, Inc. for the Runway 18L/36R High Intensity Runway Lights and Cable Rehabilitation project.

Summary of Bids

Brooks Berry Haynie & Associates	\$398,358.60
Engineer's Estimate	\$537,700.00

Item No. 56: Airport Roof Replacement at 4840 Express Drive

Approve a contract in the amount of \$512,575 to the lowest responsive bidder Mecklenburg Roofing, Inc. for the 4840 Express Drive roof replacement project.

Summary of Bids

The complete summary of bids is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Item No. 57: Airport Conveyor System, Passenger Boarding Bridges Parts and Equipment

(A) Approve a unit price contract to the lowest responsive bidder BDI, Inc. for the purchase of conveyor system and passenger boarding bridges parts and equipment for initial term of three years, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Summary of Bids

The complete summary of bids is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Item No. 58: Airport Terrazzo Flooring Maintenance

(A) Approve a unit price contract with Sunshine Cleaning Systems, Inc. for terrazzo floor cleaning and maintenance for an initial term of three years, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two additional, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 59: Airport Airfield Marking Paint Contract

(A) Approve the purchase of Pride-Baker Paint, as authorized by the sole source exemption of G.S. 143-129 (e)(6), and (B) Approve a unit price contract with Prison Rehabilitative Industries and Diversified Enterprises, Inc. for the purchase of Pride-Baker Paint for the term of three years.

Item No. 60: Airport Arborist Services Contract

(A) Approve a unit price contract with F A Bartlett Tree Expert Company for Arborist Services for an initial term of three years, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two additional, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 61: Airport Community Roundtable Facilitator and Technical Support Services

(A) Approve a contract for up to \$210,000 with Customer Services Solution, Inc. for Facilitator Services for an initial term of three years, (B) Approve a contract for up to \$480,000 with Harris, Miller, Miller & Hanson, Inc. for Technical Consultant Services for an initial term of three years, and (C) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contracts for up to two additional, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 62: Airport Federal Aviation Administration Grant Acceptance

Adopt a resolution accepting a grant in the amount of \$12,602,171 from the Federal Aviation Administration for Airport projects.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 66.

Item No. 63: Airport Funds from North Carolina Department of Transportation

(A) Adopt a resolution accepting funds from the North Carolina Department of Transportation Division in the amount of \$25,000,000 as authorized by the N.C.S.L 2017-57 §34.19(c) for improvements to the Charlotte Douglas International Airport, and (B) Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute the Airport Improvement and Debt Service Funding Agreement between the City of Charlotte and the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 33-45.

Item No. 64: Air Canada Lease

Approve a five-year lease with Air Canada for office space in the terminal of the Charlotte Douglas International Airport.

Item No. 65: Host International, Inc. Warehouse Leases

(A) Approve a three-year lease with Host International, Inc. for the warehouse located at 4732 B West Boulevard, and (B) Approve a three-year lease with Host International, Inc. for the warehouse located at 4800 A West Boulevard.

Item No. 66: IT Financial Management Software

(A) Approve a contract with Nicus Software, Inc. to provide and implement an IT Financial Management system for a term of three years, (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two optional one-year renewals and approve price adjustments and amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was awarded, (C) Authorize the City Manager to purchase maintenance and support for as long as the City uses the

system, and (D) Authorize the City Manager to purchase such additional software licenses, services, and hardware as needed from time to time to optimize the City's use of the system.

Item No. 67: Updated Rules for Pre-audit of Electronic Payments

(A) Adopt a resolution authorizing the City of Charlotte to engage in electronic payments as defined by G.S. 159-28, (B) Authorize the Finance Officer to adopt a written policy outlining procedures for pre-auditing obligations that will be incurred by electronic payments as required by NC Administrative Code 20 NCAC 03 .0409, and (C) Authorize the Finance Officer to adopt a written policy outlining procedures for disbursing public funds by electronic transaction as required by NC Administrative Code 20 NCAC 03 .0410.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 46.

Item No. 68: Cooperative Purchasing Contracts for Vehicles and Equipment

(A) Approve the purchase of automobiles, refuse equipment, sewer cleaning equipment, heavy equipment, cab chassis, and street maintenance equipment from cooperative contracts, (B) Approve unit price contracts as Citywide contracts with the following for the purchase of automobiles, refuse equipment, sewer cleaning equipment, and heavy equipment under the North Carolina Sheriff's Association (NCSA), for the term of one year: Asheville Ford Lincoln, Modern Ford of Boone, Cooper Ford, Piedmont Truck Center, and Modern Chevrolet (NCSA contract # 18-04-0912), Amick Equipment Co. Inc., Excel Truck Group, Godwin Manufacturing Co. Inc., LiftOne LLC, Jet-Vac Equipment Co. Inc., Public Works Equipment and Supply Inc., Rodders and Jets Supply Co., Southern Truck Service Inc., Southern Vac, and Young's Truck Center (NCSA contract # 19-03-0504), (C) Approve unit price contract as Citywide contracts with the following for the purchase of sewer cleaning trucks, cab chassis, and street maintenance equipment for the term of one year: Houston Freightliner (HGAC contract # HT06-18), Jet-Vac Equipment Co. Inc., Rodders and Jets Supply Co., and Sewer Equipment Co. of America (HGAC contract # SC01-18), M-B Companies Inc. (HGAC contract # SM10-16), and (D) Authorize the City Manager to extend the contracts for additional one-year terms as long as the cooperative contracts are in effect, at prices and terms that are the same or more favorable than those offered under the cooperative contract.

Item No. 69: Cooperative Purchasing Contracts for Construction and Agricultural Equipment

(A) Approve the purchase of construction and agricultural equipment from cooperative contracts, (B) Approve unit price contracts with the following for the purchase of construction and agricultural equipment as Citywide contracts under the Sourcewell cooperative program for the term of one year: Ditch Witch of Charlotte Inc. (Sourcewell contract # 012418-CMW), MAP Enterprises Inc. (Sourcewell contract # 012418-TIM), Carolina Tractor (Sourcewell contract 032515-CAT) Company Wrench Ltd. (Sourcewell contract # 042815-JCB), Charlotte Tractor (Sourcewell contracts # 042815-KBA and 062117-KBA), Ascendum Machinery Inc. (Sourcewell contract # 052015-CEC), Morbark LLC (Sourcewell contract 062117-MBI), M-B Companies Inc. (Sourcewell contract # 080114-MBC), National Auto Fleet Group (Sourcewell contracts # 081716-NAF and 120716-NAF), And (C) Authorize the City Manager to extend the contracts for additional one-year terms as long as the cooperative contracts are in effect, at prices and terms that are the same or more favorable than those offered under the cooperative contract.

Item No. 70: Cooperative Purchasing Contract for Electrical, Lighting, and Data Communications Equipment and Supplies

(A) Approve the purchase of Electrical, Lighting, and Data Communications Equipment and Supplies from a cooperative purchasing contract as authorized by G.S. 143-129(e)(3), (B) Approve a unit price contract with Graybar Electric Company, Inc. for the purchase of Electrical, Lighting and Data Communications Equipment and Supplies for a term of three years under the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance contract #EV2370, dated February 1, 2018, and (C) Authorize the City Manager to extend the purchase of products from Graybar Electric Company, Inc. for as long as they have a contract in effect with U.S. Communities, at prices and terms that are the same or more favorable than those offered under the cooperative contract.

Item No. 71: Cresswind Phase 2 Area Voluntary Annexation Public Hearing Date

Adopt a resolution setting the public hearing for August 27, 2018, for Cresswind Phase 2 Area Annexation.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 47-49.

Item No. 72: Americans with Disabilities Act Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan Contract

(A) Approve a contract with Altura Solutions, LP for Americans with Disabilities Act self-evaluation and transition plan services for an initial term of one year, (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to four, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved, and (C) Authorize the City Manager to amend the contract with Cole and Associates, Inc. for ADA Pedestrian Facilities Inventory and Assessment Services in the amount of \$147,000.

Item No. 73: Refund of Property Taxes

Adopt a resolution authorizing the refund of property taxes assessed through clerical or assessment error in the amount of \$11,691.01.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 50-51.

Item No. 74: Meeting Minutes

Approve the titles, motions, and votes reflected in the Clerk's record as the minutes of: May 16, 2018 Budget Adjustments; May 21, 2018 Zoning Meeting; May 30, 2018 Budget Adjustments/Preliminary Votes; May 30, 2018 Business Meeting/Zoning Hearings; and, June 4, 2018 Special Meeting/Strategy Session.

PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

Item No. 75: Aviation Property Transaction - Little Rock and Keeter Drive

Acquisition of .913 acres off of Little Rock Road and Keeter Drive from Catherine Elizabeth Allison Huntley and Ronald Dean Husband for \$825,000 and all relocation benefits in compliance with Federal, State or Local regulations for Airport Gateway Central.

Item No. 76: In Rem Remedy 11026 Beau Riley Road

Adopt Ordinance No. 9390-X authorizing the use of In Rem Remedy to demolish and remove the structure at 11026 Beau Riley Road (Neighborhood Profile Area 151).

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, Pages 522.

Item No. 78: In Rem Remedy 209 Pawley Drive

Adopt Ordinance 9392-X authorizing the use of In Rem Remedy to demolish and remove the structure at 209 Pawley Drive (Neighborhood Profile Area 376).

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, Pages 524.

Item No. 79: Property Transactions - Beards Creek Sewer Replacement, Parcel #1

Resolution of Condemnation of 11,683 square feet (.268 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 10,337 square feet (.237 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 811 Matthews Commons Drive from Colonial Realty Limited Partnership for \$19,325 for Beards Creek Sewer Replacement, Parcel #1.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 52.

Item No. 80: Property Transactions - Beards Creek Sewer Replacement, Parcel #5

Resolution of Condemnation of 11,165 square feet (.256 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 13,838 square feet (.318 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement from 1804 Windsor Square Drive from SC Windsor Square, LLC, for \$43,575, for Beards Creek Sewer Replacement, Parcel #5.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 53.

Item No. 81: Property Transactions - Beards Creek Sewer Replacement, Parcel #6

Resolution of Condemnation of 7,837 square feet (.18 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 13,410 square feet (.308 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 2125 Matthews Township Parkway from Costco Wholesale Corporation for \$34,700 for Beards Creek Sewer Replacement, Parcel #6.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 54.

Item No. 82: Property Transactions - Beards Creek Sewer Replacement, Parcel #8

Resolution of Condemnation of 40,917 square feet (.939 ac.) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 63,099 square feet (1.449 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 10530 Northeast Parkway from IA Matthews Sycamore, LLC for \$158,325 for Beards Creek Sewer Replacement, Parcel #8.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 55.

Item No. 83: Property Transactions - Beckwith - Meadow Drainage Improvements, Parcel #5 and #6

Resolution of Condemnation of 47,777.42 square feet (1.097 acre) in Fee Simple at 1920 Shamrock Drive from Shamrock Holding, LLC for \$300,000 for Beckwith - Meadow Drainage Improvements, Parcel #5 and 6

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 56.

Item No. 84: Property Transactions - Cutchin Drive Drainage Improvements, Parcel #1

Resolution of Condemnation of 243 square feet (.006 acre) in Storm Drainage Easement, plus 1,024 square feet (.024 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement, plus 2,161 square feet (.05 acre) in Existing Drainage Accepted as Storm Drainage Easement at 3400 Cambria Road from David H. Ramsey and Catherine R. Bodman for \$25,650 for Cutchin Drive Drainage Improvements, Parcel #1.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 57.

Item No. 87: Property Transactions - Cutchin Drive Drainage Improvements, Parcel #18

Acquisition of 3,870 square feet (.089 acre) in Storm Drainage Easement, plus 252 square feet (.006 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement, plus 1,224 square feet (.028 acre) in Existing Drainage Accepted as Storm Drainage Easement at 3041 Cutchin Drive from Daniel Bowen and Stephanie Bowen for \$61,800 for Cutchin Drive Drainage Improvements, Parcel #18.

Item No. 89: Property Transactions - Fieldcrest Road to Barringer Drive Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #9

Resolution of Condemnation of 1,502.76 sq. ft. (.034 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 1,364.08 square feet (.031 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 1311 Rollingwood Drive from Heirs of Barbara Andrews Pratt for \$4,700 for Fieldcrest Road to Barringer Drive Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #9.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 58.

Item No. 90: Property Transactions - Fieldcrest Road to Barringer Drive Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #23

Resolution of Condemnation of 1,458.08 square feet (.033 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 1,823.93 square feet (.042 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 1101 Rollingwood Drive from Uvonna Lytease Mathis Cottrell, Tregg Rea Mathis and Otha Townsend for \$4,900 for Fieldcrest Road to Barringer Drive Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #23.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 59.

Item No. 91: Property Transactions - Lincoln Heights Drainage Improvements, Parcel #6

Resolution of Condemnation of 443.01 square feet (.01 acre) in Storm Drainage Easement, plus 670.45 square feet (.015 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement, plus 513.85 square feet (.012 acre) in Utility Easement at 2000 St. Luke Street from Sylvia Denise Bidgood, Patrice Yvette Bidgood and Lamari Marquise Bidgood for \$1,050 for Lincoln Heights Drainage Improvements, Parcel #6

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 60.

Item No. 92: Property Transactions - Margaret Wallace – Cedar Bark to Idlewild Sidewalk, Parcel #5

Acquisition of 2,194 square feet (.05 acre) in Fee Simple and 8,672 square feet (.199 acre) in Sidewalk and Utility Easement, plus 2,434 square feet (.056 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 4313 Margaret Wallace Road from Frances W. Lilly for \$17,375 for Margaret Wallace – Cedar Bark to Idlewild Sidewalk, Parcel #5.

Item No. 95: Property Transactions - McAlpine Creek Relief Sewer Phase IV, Parcel #209 and #235

Resolution of Condemnation of 1,095 square feet (.025 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 7,116 square feet (.163 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at Overlook Trail from J. Vaughn Klutts, Jr. and Klutts Family, LLC for \$1,050 for McAlpine Creek Relief Sewer Phase IV, Parcel #209.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 61.

Item No. 97: Property Transactions - McAlpine Creek Relief Sewer Phase IV, Parcel #239

Resolution of Condemnation of 778 square feet (.018 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 5046 Rivergreen Lane from Southern Land Solutions, LLC for \$150 for McAlpine Creek Relief Sewer Phase IV, Parcel #239.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 62.

Item No. 99: Property Transactions - Tuckaseegee - Berryhill – Thrift Roundabout, Parcel #7

Resolution of Condemnation of 648 sq. ft. (.015 acre) in Storm Drainage Easement, plus 6,353 square feet (.146 acre) in Sidewalk and Utility Easement, plus 6,723 square feet (.154 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement, plus 253 square feet (.006 acre) in Utility Easement, plus 4,917 square feet (.113 acre) in Right of Way Easement at 2328 Thrift Road from General Electric Company for \$17,725 for Tuckaseegee - Berryhill - Thrift Roundabout, Parcel #7.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 63.

Item No. 100: Property Transactions - Tuckaseegee - Berryhill – Thrift Roundabout, Parcel #8

Resolution of Condemnation of 1,337 square feet (.031 acre) in Fee Simple and 3,248 square feet (.075 acre) in Sidewalk and Utility Easement, plus 359 square feet (.008 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement, plus 46 square feet (.001 acre) in Utility Easement from Julian Dean Melton for \$45,775 for Tuckaseegee - Berryhill - Thrift Roundabout, Parcel #8.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 64.

Item No. 101: Property Transactions - Tuckaseegee - Berryhill – Thrift Roundabout, Parcel #10

Resolution of Condemnation of 759 square foot (.017 acre) in Fee Simple and 2,661 square feet (.061 acre) in Sidewalk and Utility Easement, plus 1,786 square foot (.041 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement, plus 91 square feet (.002 acre) in Utility Easement from BIN – BR1304, LLC for \$4,250 for Tuckaseegee - Berryhill - Thrift Roundabout, Parcel #10.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 65.

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ITEM NO. 31: CHARLOTTE FIRE BALLISTICS PROTECTION EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

Councilmember Winston said this is the second time that this has come up. This is agenda Item No. 31 for Charlotte Fire ballistic protection equipment purchases. Basically, this is to purchase bullet proof vests and Kevlar helmets for firemen for the reason of going into active shooter situations, and I understand that this is potentially the reality that we face as a City, as a state, as a country, and I want nothing more for our firemen to have the protection that they need. I have said many times that I grew up in a firehouse. My father is currently a fire man in New York City, but it is hard for me to support this legislation in the greater context of what other governments do not do. As I said before, that falls on us on the municipal level, on our tax payers, to deal with this issue just by saying that this is the reality, and we have to deal with it. I have been told by the Chief that this is just a special group of fireman that will get these bullet proof vest, but I can imagine a world, not too far from now, where we will slide down that slope and have to put bullet proof vest on every single fireman that shows up to every box that ever gets called in, and if we do that, then Greensboro does that, then Winston Salem does that, then every city in this country does that, and millions and billions of dollars gets spent on this new reality of living with active shooter situations. Where is the economic incentive for anything to change on the state or federal level? So, I push back on this legislation, this ordinance that will pass and approve this spending, not because I do not support my firemen, which I do. I will not accept this as the new reality and the only government action that can combat any type of gun violence.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bokhari and seconded by Councilmember Phipps to (A) Approve the purchase of ballistics protection equipment, as authorized by sole source exemption of G.S. 143-129 (e)(6), (B) Approve a unit price contract with North American Rescue for the purchase of ballistics vests and bullet proof plates for the term of three years, (C) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved, (D) Authorize the purchase of ballistic helmets and face shields from state contracts as authorized by G.S. 143-129 (e)(9), (E) Approve a unit price contract with Lawmen’s Distribution for the purchase of ballistic helmets and face shields for the term of three years under state contract 680C, and (F) Authorize the City Manager to extend the contract for up to two, one-year terms, as long as the state contract is in effect, at prices and terms that are the same or more favorable than those offered under the state contract.

Councilmember Bokhari said I agree with the sentiments of what Councilmember Winston said. It is just one of those perfect world situations where we need to work to get there, but in the meantime, we need to make sure that we protect those where there is data point showing that they are showing up in active shooter situations, so that would be the only point back, but I respect what you said.

A vote was taken on the motion and recorded as follows:

YEAS: Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Egleston, Eiselt, Harlow, Mithell, Newton, and Phipps

NAYS: Councilmembers Mayfield and Winston

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ITEM NO. 77: IN REM REMEDY 5626 MURRAYHILL ROAD

Eric Stenstrom, 5809 Murrayhill Road said I live in Madison Park, which is in Council District 6. I am here tonight to talk about the demolition order request by the Code Enforcement for 5626 Murrayhill Road. A tree fell on the house two years ago, and the owner has done nothing since then to repair the house. He has spent more time fighting Code Enforcement for the violation than he has on doing anything to the house. It sounds like if I had not come to night you already would have approved it, but I do hope that you will

approve this request for Code Enforcement. Our neighborhood is- I have been there 35 years and watched it changed, and it is getting better all of the time, and I did also want to speak in support of the City organization. Code Enforcement does an excellent job. Our officer comes to our monthly meets, explains in good detail what is going on and what we cannot do. His favorite term is ugly is not a violation, but I just wanted to say that we hope you will vote in favor of it, and thank you for your time.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bokhari and seconded by Councilmember Mayfield to Adopt Ordinance No. 9391-X authorizing the use of In Rem Remedy to demolish and remove the structure at 5626 Murrayhill Road (Neighborhood Profile Area 393).

Councilmember Bokhari said I would just like to say thank you for coming out Sir. I had a conversation over the last week with staff, who filled me in completely. I also attempted to get in contact with, I believe his name was Mr. Stuart who is the owner, and I was unable to even get contact information for the owner from any of the staff folks or anything. I guess that is all you need to say about that.

Councilmember Phipps said so, this house I am assuming has been condemned. Is that correct? It has been condemned for habitation, and we have gone through all of that process?

Ben Krise, Code Enforcement said we do not use the terminology condemned, but we have cited the house for being unsafe. We have gone through the entire due process that the public speaker had mentioned. We had been working on this case, attempting to achieve compliance since October of 2016, and the condition has not changed.

A vote was taken on the motion and recorded as unanimous.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, Page(s) 523.

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AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

ITEM NO. 10: AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AWARENESS DAY

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said in attendance are members of the City of Charlotte Americans with Disabilities Act Program and the City of Charlotte ADA Community Network; thank you for being here. Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt read the following Proclamation:

WHEREAS, on July 26, 1990, President George H.W. Bush signed into law the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to ensure the civil rights of people with disabilities. This legislation established a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities. On July 26, we will celebrate the anniversary of the signing of the ADA; and

WHEREAS, the ADA has expanded opportunities for Americans with disabilities by reducing barriers, changing perceptions, and increasing full participation in community life. However, the full promise of the ADA will only be reached if we remain committed to continue our efforts to fully implement the ADA; and

WHEREAS, the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County celebrate and honor the achievements of people with disabilities who live in our community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, in partnership with the City of Charlotte ADA Community Network Team, Mecklenburg Advocacy Council for People with Disabilities, and 99 other partners representing various agencies and organizations, have come together to celebrate the Americans with Disabilities Act; and

WHEREAS, on the anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, we the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County celebrate and recognize the progress that has been made

by reaffirming the principles of equality and inclusion and recommitting our efforts to reach full ADA compliance; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate those positive changes in our community so people with disabilities can be free from negative attitudes and architectural barriers; and

WHEREAS, we honor those businesses in our community for complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act by making their establishments accessible and usable to all patrons with disabilities:

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County do hereby reaffirm to continue to work toward full ADA compliance and we, Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor of Charlotte, and Ella B. Scarborough, Chair of the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners, hereby proclaim July 26, 2018 as

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in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County and commend its observance to all citizens.

Councilmember Mitchell said as you all know Teri just continues to work hard behind the scenes, but he has been doing a lot of work with this particular initiative. I remember back when he was helping with NLC, almost in 2011. He was going to take training even in Dallas, Texas. Can you just share the importance of this proclamation?

Teri Bradley, Community Relations Committee said thank you for this opportunity; I appreciate the awareness that we are bringing to the disability community. I think probably back in 1992 when it was mandated that city wide did an opportunity assessment of all of our city programs, services, and activities. I think that we use it as a checklist of some things that we needed to do, but right now, I think that we are building more awareness and a culture of this is something that we embrace. The disability community is probably one of the largest minority groups out there that people are just not aware of, and anyone can become a member of it at any point in time. You do not have to necessarily age into it. You can just have an accident, and one day you are a part of that community. So, they are non-discriminant about being a member of that group; we just want to make sure that we say thank you all for the opportunity and also just bringing awareness to this community and the groups. Thanks a lot.

Mr. Mitchell said thank you for your leadership.

Councilmember Ajmera said Teri thank you for the great work that you are doing. I remember last year, I had received a request for access in terms of disability access, and I know that staff had addressed it with a very short turn around, and I appreciate the work that you and your staff have continued to do. I recently got another request where a member of the community had reached out, and I will be emailing you that request where there are multiple areas where we fall short on, and I am hoping that we can work together to address some of those requests.

Mr. Bradley said I welcome to see that information, and we will address it as quickly as possible.

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PUBLIC HEARING

ITEM NO. 11: PUBLIC HEARING ON A RESOLUTION TO CLOSE TODD ROAD AND CLARK PLACE

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt declared the hearing open.

There being no speakers either for or against, a motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Newton and carried unanimously to (A) Close the public hearing to close Todd Road and Clark Place, and (B) Adopt a resolution to close Todd Road and Clark Place.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 10-14.

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ITEM NO. 12: PUBLIC HEARING ON A RESOLUTION TO CLOSE A PORTION OF TUCKASEEGEE ROAD

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt declared the hearing open.

There being no speakers either for or against, a motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Newton and carried unanimously to (A) Close the public hearing to close a portion of Tuckaseegee Road, and (B) Adopt a resolution to close a portion of Tuckaseegee Road.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 15-20.

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ITEM NO. 13: Public Hearing on General Obligation Bond Referendum

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt declared the hearing open.

There being no speakers either for or against, a motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell and carried unanimously to (A) Close the public hearing on the bond order which would be authorized at the General Obligation Bond Referendum to be set for November 6, 2018 and (B) to Adopt bond orders introduced for \$118,080,000 of Street Bonds, and (C) Adopt a resolution setting the General Obligation Bond Referendum for November 6, 2018.

There being no speakers either for or against, a motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell and carried unanimously to (A) Close the public hearing on the bond order which would be authorized at the General Obligation Bond Referendum to be set for November 6, 2018 and (B) Adopt bond orders introduced for \$55,000,000 of Neighborhood Improvement Bonds, and (C) Adopt a resolution setting the General Obligation Bond Referendum for November 6, 2018.

The following speakers addressed City Council regarding the Housing Bonds:

Judith Schindler, 1900 Selwyn Avenue said I appreciate the dedication of each one of you and of everyone in this room. I am Rabi Judy Schindler, founding Director of the Stan Greenspon Center for Peace and Social Justice at Queens University of Charlotte. I am just one of many members of the faith community speaking tonight because affordable housing is an issue of faith, and it is a moral responsibility. As a faith leader, I ask you to approve the \$50 million housing bond, because our Queen City needs to tap into its enormous wealth to house those who cannot afford the most basic of human rights, the dignity of a home. Just as each one of you has chosen to run for office because you felt that change was needed, so are many of us here tonight to speak to the housing bond, because we feel that change is needed. All in this room, there are so many of us, but I do not want to speak for anyone else but me, we want to spend our time and talent advocating for this bond, but before we do, we want a commitment from each one of you as Councilmembers that this \$50 million will be spent wisely. If we spend our bond money as we have in the past, we cannot expect any better results. The loss of NOAH, (Naturally Occurring Affordable Housing) have brought people to this very podium like Richard Simmons, who's rent has risen so high that he can barely afford to eat. We urge you to devote \$25 million of the \$50 million to preserving NOAH

to protect renters like Mr. Simmons and to impose permanent deed restrictions on those subsidized properties, so that today's public funds continue to help those in need when the buildings are being redeveloped.

We further proposed that the City establish a new housing policy. Hold 30 percent for 30 percent that is to hold 30 percent of the units in development receiving bond funds for those earning 30 percent AMI and below, under \$19,000 a year for a family of three. This 30 percent ought to include not only units build by the developer but also units made affordable by rental subsidies and Section 8 Vouchers. The Urban Ministry Center has identified more than 25 individuals who have a housing voucher yet still experience homelessness .We need to remedy this injustice for them and uncounted others. Community volunteers at the Stan Greenspon Center will be calling on each of you in the coming weeks to explore these two policies in greater detail, and as we will show you from our research, you will be pleased to learn that this plan cost 30 percent less per unit than what the City spent in the last bond cycle, yet serves those who are deemed too expensive to serve. Both are identified objectives also addressed in the new Housing Charlotte goals.

Bree Newsome, 2510 Dalebrook Drive said I am an artist and community organizer here in Charlotte. I am here to call on City leaders to support the development of independent community oversight for the administration of housing funds, assuming the bond referendum is successful in November. I am part of a collective of residents citywide who have been meeting regularly for the past year to discuss the shortage of affordable housing and the systemic displacement of poorer residents from neighborhoods that are being gentrified. We have various entry points to this issue as residents facing displacement, teachers, social workers, clergy, and community activists among others. We are pleased that the City is proposing the \$50 million for the housing bond and the proposed framework being put forth that the Housing and Neighborhood Development is promising in terms of addressing the urgent need to provide housing for the poorest among us. It is also important that we think not simply in terms of the number of housing units being created but in terms of how we improve the quality of life for communities that have long been denied equal opportunity due to racial and economic segregation. That said, a key element currently missing from the housing framework is a process for independent community oversight. We need a community oversight body that has the authority to review and provide input on proposal for housing funds. We also need this body to be comprised of people who belong to and/or advocate on behalf of communities directly impacted by displacement and homelessness. The process that the City is proposing to undertake with regard to both the Housing and City Planning Departments will require a degree of trust between decision makers and the communities of impact. Trust requires the kind of transparency and accountability that comes with development of independent community oversight. The City has undertaken efforts to address the lack of upward mobility for children living in poverty, but we are not addressing poverty if we are simply displacing and pushing poor people outside the city limits. There are people who work every day in the City making the operation of the City possible who cannot afford to live here. In closed session, I believe that it was Councilmember Bokhari who mentioned that it would take more than feel good community meetings to address issues of housing and inequity. I assure you that the meetings are collective, has been engaged in the past year, are not simply feel good meetings. We are very serious about developing independent community oversight and enacting long lasting transformative solutions. In order for us to continue our support for both the housing bond and the current City leadership, we hope that the City will demonstrate its commitment as well by doing its part to insure we have a plan for independent community oversight before it begins allocating funds.

Greg Jarrell, 2910 Parkway Avenue said I am a long-time Elderly Park resident and Vice Chair of the West Side Community Land Trust. I am here along with Ms. Newsome as part of this group of advocates who have been meeting and trying to build community power regarding the issues of affordable housing in our community. We are generally supportive of the \$50 million bond referendum being placed on the ballot; however, we are bringing tonight both concern and a demand. The concern is that more money poured into the current economic electoral and policy frame work will not solve the problem of affordable housing. Even if an investment of that magnitude could solve the issue that we usually call affordable housing, \$50 million is nowhere near enough to even make a significant dent in the problem. This policy frame work that we have is insufficient and that is an obvious statement, because that is what got us here to this point now. The missing key is the transfer of power to those

who's communities are most impacted by the lack of affordable housing. Poor communities, to give some historical context, communities of color did not choose to raze themselves during urban renewal, a ground that was razed, including the ground that we are upon right now. Poor communities did not choose to divest from themselves during decades of white, suburban expansion, subsidies by taxed dollars from the City, the State, and the federal government. These decisions were made by other communities, people outside those communities, including this body that I am speaking to right now without those directly impacted having a seat at the table or a voice sufficiently powerful enough to affect real and impactful change. To that end, we have submitted a letter to you regarding the creating of a Housing Advisory Council that will privilege the voices and lived experience of those whose families are serially displaced. Those who live this issue know the contours of the problem intimately and they are uniquely positioned to provide both accountability to the process that has heretofore undermined the stability of their families and the natural helping networks that develop in their neighborhoods. With your support for such a Housing Advisory Council and its real, tangible power, those of us organizing and the press communities will gladly support the Housing Trust Fund bond, but without some real power invested in those neighbors, we can only see this as the pouring of good money into a bad foundation.

Kenn Shrader, 2214 Cannonade Court, Matthews said I am a concerned citizen and advocate for housing policy reform here in Charlotte, Mecklenburg. In the words of our City Manager here, Marcus Jones, "we are building great communities; we are not going to be able to do this alone." This group of well-informed citizens that I am here with tonight, they are here to help. I am a resident of Matthews, and even thought the Charlotte City Council is not my City Council, the decisions that you do make here affect the entire region. Our proposal for an independent community oversight of the administration of the Housing Trust Fund money is really just common sense. It is also good governance. By creating an independent community oversight body, the City is seizing an opportunity for a new, extensible model for funding equitable housing. Rather than just studying national best practices, creating an independent community oversight body for the HTF will place Charlotte housing policy among national best practices. Some Councilmembers here have been elected on your promises to support and explain affordable housing. Indeed previous Council debates this year raised questions when a number of housing issues, including is the City doing enough for its poorest residents? What is the City doing to avoid clustering, subsidized housing, and already poor and underserved neighborhoods? Public oversight, as proposed by this network of organizations and individuals here today will help the Council to focus on these types of issues. Today, developers and property owners who are awarded HTF monies often accept a non-competitive four percent tax credit, then declare that they will voluntarily offer some of their units for the lowest income families. This practice is not good enough. By requiring regular and timely reporting of who is awarded HTF funds and how and when the money is used, what other subsidies have been accepted, along with the number of units and proposed rents that meet the Charlotte's housing initiatives the City Council will inforce transparency and accountability for all players. Housing stability is a cornerstone for family stability and lays the groundwork for a family to focus on early development of children, their education, and as a stepping stone towards a stable, long-term employment, essentially upward mobility. Our communities, indeed your neighborhoods, want to help.

Angie Ford, 418 Neill Ridge Road, Matthews said you all know that I am highly in favor of a \$50 million bond, because I have come down here before and told you so. My concern tonight is the spending of the \$50 million. As others have mentioned, the track record of the way that previous bonds have been spent does not fill us with hope and optimism, so we want to make sure that we have put in place certain principles and priorities to govern the spending of this money. One of the first principles that I want to mention to you is that in order to forge a different future for Charlotte, we much confront the past. We did not arrive at this point by accident or happenstance. It was a careful plan, an equally careful planning is going to be essential in order for us to overcome it. Pretending that it is not so will not make it go away. So, I urge you to do the homework that is necessary to assess the past actions, the policies and procedures that have been put in place to bring us to this state of segregated neighborhoods that must not be undone in using these funds as we go forward. To give our children and grandchildren and their heirs a future that we anticipated and we have been able to benefit from. Upward mobility, any mobility is what we need to be able to present to them. A priority a principle that I ask you also to consider is to give preference to the people who provide us with essential and critical services: child care, elder care, sanitation services,

without the work of these people, this City would grind to a halt, yet we continue to act as if they are not very important. As we focus on the glitz and glamour of tall buildings, shiny towers, and national conventions. So, if we can deflect a percentage of the energy that we focus these things and put it on what is essential to the continual wellbeing of this City, then we will have our priorities in place as we look to spend \$50 million and hopefully more money in the future. I finally ask you to put yourself in the place of these people who have been homeless for too long.

Amantha Barbee, 6233 Edmore Boulevard said I am Reverent Amantha Barbee, the Pastor of Statesville Avenue Presbyterian Church and the Chairperson of Charlotte Clergy Coalition for Justice. I stood before you not too long ago and offered my support of the \$50 million bond. I still am full in support of the bond, but today I come with a strong desire, especially in wake of racial, economic, political, and educational divisions in our city, a strong plea for transparency and accountability as it relates to these funds. We will be nothing but dishonest if we in anyway attempt to deny the afore mentioned issues in our City. If any of what I have said was untrue, we would not be having this discussion right now. We have an opportunity to make a phenomenal difference among the citizens of this divided City. That is what you have before you tonight; therefore, I appeal to you in a couple of different ways this evening. One, we are requesting major public input of the oversight of these funds. We want the ability to provide input on proposals for the use of housing funds submitted to the Housing and Neighborhood Development, always being mindful of those individuals who are most impacted by displacement and homelessness. We are requesting the main focus to be on the citizens who are existing, not living but existing at the 30 percent or less of AMI rate. These are citizens who make sure that the City really, really runs. When we need a quick meal, domestic workers, preschool teachers, retail workers, people who keep our cars clean, our schools clean, our cafeteria workers, the very ones on whom we depend to give our aging parents there medication in assisted living. We must focus our efforts. Though it will be difficult and it is not as easy to get those deals, but not easy and impossible are two different things. This brings me to my second appeal. The majority of you, thought I represent a multi-faith organization tonight, I come to you as a Christian pastor. It says in Matthew 25 that we are called to care for the least of these.

Melissa Mummert, 7415 Newmans Lane said as advocacy and resource manager for a non-profit agency called Changed Choices, part of what I do is attempt to find housing for women who are coming home from prison. I say attempt because like many people in the social services trenches right now, I am attempting but I am too often failing. I use to think that maybe I did not know the right people or I did not know enough about the right programs or resources that I was just missing something, but I do not think that anymore. The resources to meet the needs of formerly incarcerated women for housing, is not available in Charlotte. We have tried. We are trying every day. This lack of affordable housing impacts real people and the need is urgent. Several of us from Changed Choices are here asking you to feel this urgency. One woman who you will hear from tonight has been unable to find housing despite working two full-time jobs, which means that she hasn't been able to parent her children, both of whole have special needs, for more than a year. We need you to feel that urgency. One woman, currently in a work-release prison, is also working fulltime. She will be released to the streets in a little more than a week unless we can come up with a plan, and it is not looking good. She has a murder charge. It benefits all of us that she has access to safe and affordable housing. These are people who want to do right, who are doing everything that they can to be productive members of our community, but they are working poor people, and they have records. Where do you suggest that they go? The McCloud Federal Halfway House closed recently. That means that rather than giving inmates six months or a year to reintegrate into our community, we now have people being dumped in Charlotte who have done years, sometimes decades in prison, sent straight to our streets. Where do you propose they live? Fifty-million dollars in the Housing Trust Fund will scratch the surface of the need in Charlotte, but it will help, so thank you for supporting that start. The most fierce advocate that I have ever known, Ramona Brant served 20 years in prison before dying suddenly last year, and she taught me the phrase, "nothing about us without us." I want everyone to repeat that, "nothing about us without us." For all purposes, that means how the Housing Trust Fund money is allocated and how it is overseen should be determined by the people who are in need of affordable housing, the people who are directly impacted by lack of affordable housing including people with records. Listen to them.

Rob Kelly, 7920 Sunnyvale Lane said I am a local pastor and the founding President of the For Charlotte Mission Network. Our mission is to connect and equip the church here in Charlotte around transformation efforts in the City, such as affordable housing. We do this through a number of different ways, through gatherings, through resources, through networks and platform technologies that we create and I am here to share just briefly about them, because I come today with both an appeal and an offer. For Charlotte, we are the backbone organization that produces Movement Day Charlotte, a gathering of nearly 1,000 Christian leaders focused on collaborative transformation efforts in our City. We are very grateful for Mayor Lyles and City Manager Jones for participating and speaking in this and a number of the City Council being a part of that day as well. We leveraged that day to engage the church in the needs of the City, such as affordable housing. We also have produced the Charlotte State of the City report, which is a collaborative research project trying to translate the needs of our City to the church, so the church can meet those needs. You can see on pages 52 through 55 how we have been encouraging and equipping the church to engage this most important need in our City. This report has been distributed and is being used by over 700 churches in our local community right now. We also mobilize networks of churches throughout the City focused on building relationships, social capital, trust, to engage needs like affordable housing and many others in Charlotte. Today, we currently have 12 networks around the greater Charlotte area representing 160 local congregations and through our networks, this State of the City report, Movement Day Charlotte, we firmly believe and communicate the call of the church to care for the least of these among us, as our Lord Jesus has commanded us. This means that the church must be engaged in serving those who do not have a home or access to adequate or affordable housing. Although as a network, For Charlotte does not proactively mobilize the church around policy issues, we do believe it is imperative that the church is positioned to humbly serve those most in need in our City. For that reason, I am here today to encourage you, as our City leaders, to make sure that these affordable housing dollars go to impact the lives of those in our City that need them most and at the same time, please know that we stand ready to serve and to partner with you as our City's leaders in leveraging our broad and diverse network to equip and engage the church in our City in the affordable housing crisis.

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said thank you pastor Kelly. What church are you from?

Mr. Kelly said I was 10 years at Carmel Baptist and now I run the Network. We have about 160 churches in the Network now.

Evelyn Hill, 5307 Lantana Avenue said I am one of the ladies that Melissa spoke to you about. I am a little emotional, but I am here tonight because I hear a lot of people throwing around words like transparency, responsibility, accountability, but they are speaking about us and ladies like me. In 2011, I was sentenced to seven years in a state prison in North Carolina. I was released in January of 2017, and upon my release, I am the lady that had the two jobs full time. I am a full time student with 3.6 GPA at CPCC; however, the one thing that I wanted more than anything else was reunification with my children, and currently, I have two minor kids, one in Durham County and one in Wake County in foster care, because I am unable to find housing in Charlotte. So, my kids are being raised by someone else, and I drive up and down the highway on the weekends to go see them, so when people speak about the least of these, I am the least of these. I am the one that cannot find a place to live, so this bond means more to me than probably anybody, because we need housing. We need to know that with change comes opportunity. With opportunity becomes accountability and responsibility. So, the same way that I am responsible to the City of Charlotte as a tax paying citizen that is not reoffending, that has made it 18 months, the City should be responsible to me. You should want to help. Landlords should want to help. People should want to help. We are no longer going to stand by and not be accounted. We need to be included, not excluded. We need you to understand that I am here, and I am not going anywhere. I need a place to live with my kids. My daughter has spina bifida. My son is now cutting, because he misses his mother, and there is nothing that I can do about it, so I need to know what is the City prepared to do? What are the citizens of Charlotte prepared to do? Are you willing to step out on a limb and get me a chance, or are we going to continue just throwing around words like transparency, responsibility, accountability. You are accountable to me, the same way that I am accountable to you, so I am asking for a chance. I am not asking for a handout. I am asking for a hand up. I work every day. I work 16 hours a day and still go to school fulltime on

line. I have been inducted into the honors society, but I cannot find a house. I have done 100 applications, and I cannot find a house. I need your help.

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said I would like to say and I know that my Councilmembers would join me on this, that it is our responsibility to the citizens like Ms. Hill, but it is a responsibility to this community too, and any landlord out there listening to this needs to hear that message and put a face and a personality and a story like Ms. Hills to the problem in this community, so thank you.

Aisha Dew, 2112 Saint Luke Street said my comments will be extremely brief, as there is really very little left to say, but first of all, I have been working along with Bree Newsome and the other coalition of citizens, and I comment all of you for prioritizing housing and low-income residents. We ask leaders to consider an oversight committee to insure optimum implantation. There is a history of things falling through; therefore, the committee would have the authority to review and provide input on proposals for use of housing funds submitted to Housing and Neighborhood Development. Secondly, it would produce a score card designed to provide transparency for the public on why and how housing funds are allocated, by whom, and for what purpose, and lastly, it would be comprised of individuals who are affected. Having heard from those who are affected and impacted by this issue, they should not be left away from the table to have decisions made for them. They need decisions made by them. We want institutional memory for a community engagement and for a transparent and optimal process. This is not to indict anyone, as everyone has stepped up to the plate, but we want to be sure that things do not fall through the cracks. In the words of Martin Luther King, “the time is always right to do what is right.” Thanks for your consideration.

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Winston, and carried unanimously to (A) Close the public hearing on the bond order which would be authorized at the General Obligation Bond Referendum to be set for November 6, 2018, (B) Adopt bond order introduced for \$50,000,000 of Housing Bonds, and (C) Adopt a resolution setting the General Obligation Bond Referendum for November 6. 2018.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 21-28.

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ITEM NO. 14: CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Marcus Jones, City Manager said tonight, there are two speakers that will take the time for the Manager’s Report. One is Sarah Hazel, who will talk a little bit about one event, National Night Out, which is coming on the 7th of August, and we are really excited about how we are tying National Night Out to our Charlotte 250th Anniversary. Then as we were talking earlier, Pam Wideman will come up to give a quick briefing of Items 15 and 16 of the policy.

Sarah Hazel, Manager’s Office said thank you so much for giving me a few moments to speak about another really wonder opportunity that we have to celebrate Charlotte’s 250th anniversary this year. As you know, just recently in July, we kicked off CLT250 with a star-spangled, spectacular firework show. Since then, City staff and community partners have been working together really thoughtfully to think about how we can embrace the spirit of remembering our history and really doing things today that will shape the next 250 years of our future. So, to that end, National Night Out is coming up on August 7, 2018. I am sure that you all are very familiar with National Night Out. It is an awesome neighborhood led and driven event throughout Charlotte and various places. CMPD partners with neighborhoods to really think about safety and crime free neighborhoods, and it is an opportunity for people to get together to do cookouts and other types of celebrations under that theme. So, in honor of CLT250 this year, the City is doing something a little bit different. So, there will be over 100 events that are driven by neighborhoods where our CMPD officers will be, but we also have launched a coordinated effort to get out and share some more information about the City at these events, so at these events, we will be doing a couple of things. We will be engaging residents in one-on-one conversations about what they would like to see Charlotte be over

the next 250 years. We will be highlighting City services that may be important to them and also doing a fun quiz trivia game from the past and the future, then finally, we will be signing up folks to really be a part of the CLT250 efforts and in particular to support some of our important City initiatives, like neighborhood cleanups for example. So, this is just one other way that we are really looking to actively engage our residents and also be more coordinated as an organization so we can do that. If you would like to go to the website you can just search for National Night Out at charlottenc.gov and you can learn a little bit more about what we will be doing and shortly where these events will be held so you know where to show up.

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said it is one of my favorite events of the year, National Night Out. It is a great opportunity to get out into the neighborhoods, so thank you.

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ITEM NO. 15: EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion was made by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Mayfield, and carried unanimous to recuse Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt from Item Number 15.

Pamela Wideman, Director of Housing and Neighborhood Services said you have often talked about how you support households earning 30 percent and below the area median income, and I will remind us that your money, federal dollars, we support a continuum of housing needs. These next requests are a federal source. It is an Emergency Solutions Grant. It is the only federal source available to support emergency shelters. Tonight, you have in front of you requests for funding for three of those types of shelters in our community.

The point of this slide is just to show you that in 2018, the federal government placed a greater emphasis on ending homelessness and support toward emergency shelter. We are back down in 2019, we received three proposals, so they have been through the committee process, and they are before you tonight. These request kind of align with you focus areas, HUD's goals, and then with the request that we received from the organization. Let's get to the request. The Women's shelter, they are in the audience tonight, and I really appreciate the Women's Shelter; the Men's Shelter; and The Relatives for being here tonight. They serve with this funding that will enable them to serve about 2,000 people per year. You will recall that there are many women with children at the homeless shelter. This will allow them to serve folks on sight, at the shelter, to provide about 12 rapid rehousing opportunities, then also to continue utilizing the homeless management information system.

The Men's Shelter of Charlotte, they serve about 1,300 men per night. This would allow them to serve 11 households through rapid rehousing, and when we say rapid rehousing, that means to get them out of the shelter, into an apartment or a permanent housing situation. There is often a misnomer than folks who end up at the shelter are not working. That could not be further from the truth. They are working, but they just do not make enough to pay the rent in Charlotte, so this is how we help with that and also allow them to continue their efforts with the homeless management information system.

You have heard from the Chair of The Relatives. The Relatives is a new partner; it is the only shelter that serves youth and children, and they also have a request for \$190,000 as well. I will tell you, this is a good news slide, so you had to vote on three of those, because they are over \$100,000, but those are not the only three organizations in this community who receive this type of funding. You can see Community Link, the Friendship CDC, Safe Alliance, and Supportive Housing Community. I'll be happy to address any questions you might have.

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Harlow to Approve Emergency Solutions Grant Fund allocations totaling \$415,525 to the following agencies: The Men's Shelter, \$117,325; The Salvation Army, \$108,200; and The Relatives, \$190,000.

Councilmember Ajmera said for the Emergency Grant that includes three organizations, the Men's Shelter, The Salvation Army, and The Relatives. I have visited the Men's Shelter and

The Salvation Army several times, but I had an opportunity to visit The Relatives last week, and I was very touched by their mission and their work. They serve youth who are in crisis, and I met some kids who were runaway, homeless, or kicked out of their existing homes. I was very touched by the work that they do. There are often times when we talk about economic mobility, and this emergency grant truly aligns with our overall goal of economic mobility. We had to start creating cradle to career pathways, and this emergency grant provides an opportunity for this youth to get a safe place to live and that helps them also with success in school, in collages, so I am very thankful for organizations such as The Relatives, The Men's Shelter, and The Salvation Army for the work that they do, and it truly helps us with economic mobility, and with that, I will support this motion.

Councilmember Phipps said The Men's Shelter is currently under construction being renovated right now, so will these funds, these emergency solution grant funds, are they being used for residents of the remote locations wherever they are being housed now since they are not in the men's shelter on Tryon Street right now?

Ms. Wideman said Mr. Phipps they could be used for some of those folks who are house remotely right now.

Councilmember Egleston said they are moving back in in August.

A vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

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ITEM NO. 16: 2018 COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION GRANTS

Pamela Wideman, Director of Housing and Neighborhood Services said I want to just take a moment to brief you on the Community Housing Development funding request. The Community Housing Development organization, which we call CHDO is a private community based organization that works within its geographical base, and they serve certain geography to develop homes and to provide services for folks who are earning 80 percent and below the area median income. A CHDO must meet the criteria around legal status, which means that they have to have a board of directors and they have to be a 5013C, and they also have to have the ability to do what they say. In this case it is to construct the homes. They must be physically sound, and they must have capacity. We have five CHDO's in this community. Tonight, we have funding request for two of those CHDO's. It is the Crossroads CDC and the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Housing Partnership. We are what is called by HUD a participating jurisdiction, so what that means is that we have to designate 15 percent of our annual home allocation to organizations of this type. This type of work also helps to build mixed-income neighborhoods. We have talked about the value of that, and we have talked about it a little bit upstairs.

So, what we have proposed to you tonight is the award to two organizations in the amount of \$651,295 and I will go through each request. The first one is to the Crossroads CDC. They are currently working in the Grier Heights Neighborhood. Many of you are familiar with that. We have worked n Grier Heights for a number of years. It is currently one of the neighborhoods that is gentrifying, so this is another way that we are getting affordable housing in a neighborhood that is gentrifying. They have a request of \$500,000 to leverage with a total development cost of \$2.1 million to do eight homes in the Grier Heights neighborhood. Those homes would be for folks earning 80 percent or below of area median income. I would also point out to you that this fits into your framework that we talked about tonight. We are not just doing rental and multifamily, but this is a way to provide homeownership in a gentrifying area.

The next request is in Druid Hills. They are requesting \$150,000 to build three homes in the Druid Hills community. This will be familiar to you. You have had lots of conversations. We have had conversations about Bright Walk and how Statesville Avenue is starting to gentrify. Druid Hills is right next door to the Bright Walk Community, and again this is the opportunity to provide home ownership in a neighborhood that is gentrifying for households owning 80 percent and below the area median income. So, you will be asked to approve that in a moment if you so choose.

Councilmember Newton said we had a good conversation earlier during the Dinner Meeting pertaining to deed restrictions and assuring that whenever we spend trust fund dollars on development that we are getting the most bang for our buck out of that expenditure. I wanted to ask, so with these distributions to these two agencies, what safeguards are in place to insure that these units stay affordable in the long term? Are we talking about deed restrictions involved here? Then again too, we are talking about 80 percent and below. What to insure that all of these units are not just 80 percent and they are being placed in the community where you might have much more densely packed units below the 80 percent mark, then you would be gentrifying in affect, some of the other folks in the area.

Ms. Wideman said let me take the affordability question Mr. Newton. All of these units will have 15-year deed restrictions on them, so that insures that they will remain affordable for 15-years. They do not have 30-years like your multi-family rental, because we also while creating homeownership we want to allow people also the opportunity to create wealth, just like you and I do with our home ownership opportunities as well. Both of these neighborhoods, both of these requests are an attempt to address gentrification that is currently occurring in both of these neighborhoods. Grier Heights is bounded between Randolph Road and 7th Street, so if you drive out of those corridors, you will see the gentrification that is occurring. As it relates to Grier Heights many years ago this use to be one of our revitalization neighborhoods, so we did a lot of work, a lot of sidewalk improvement. We continue to still work with the neighborhood, so that is how we are addressing gentrification. I would say the same for the Druid Hills. As you drive out Statesville Corridor, you are seeing, and I have had some conversation with many of the neighborhood representatives there about the gentrification. So, what we are doing is people often ask, what do you do to mitigate or address gentrification? You put the affordable housing units on the ground with the long-term deed restriction. So, in both instances, this is a case to do just that.

Mr. Newton said from the standpoint of the 80 percent, there are no guarantees that we are going to be looking at any sort of diverse price point below that mark.

Ms. Wideman said when you think about people who are most successful in homeownership opportunities; it does not necessarily mean that they are at 80 percent. This will simply provide opportunity for folks 80 percent and below. So, what they might do is they might couple other subsidies that will enable them to secure this home. So, it is not just folks earning 80 percent; it is 80 percent and below. This is dictated by federal standards.

Councilmember Harlow said I want to speak to the community real quick. I have one question, and I think that tonight is really important, because we kind of can see the multitude of tools that we have in our housing toolbox, tonight specifically. We were going to approve some publically owned land, and we will do that next month likely. We have had conversations around the bond that we will put on the ballot for Housing Trust Fund, and now we are looking at other federal dollars as it relates to how we are trying to target some of our other housing needs. I know that a lot of housing advocates are here tonight, so I think that it is important to see how. We have a trust fund, and that is one thing in the bucket, then the federal dollars and emergency grants and how we are going to try to target the spectrum of needs in our community around housing, not just multi-family housing but also homeownership and those in our most vulnerable situations around homelessness as well. I do have a question as it relates to the federal home dollars and the 15 percent set aside. I am not sure why I did not ask this in the committee meeting. We have \$651,000 here in an available balance. We will likely approve the \$650,000 CHDO. When is the reup?

Ms. Wideman said good question Mr. Harlow. In FY19, so when we load the budget, we will have another 15 percent that we have to spend going forward, but this is everything that we have in the bucket now. This is the amount that we needed to allocate.

Mr. Harlow said that marginal thousand just gets to roll over?

Ms. Wideman said that is right, and HUD will let you do a carry forward of some amount, but we have to make sure that we obligate according to the schedule. So, this puts you on par and actually a little ahead of that HUD schedule.

Mr. Harlow said I do have a question as it relates to the cost per unit. We have heard so much in our multifamily conversations all the time about cost per unit, then we were seeing these homes. You do the math and you are in the \$240,000 range if you just kind of chop that up when they say the total costs for the housing partnership is about \$725,000 for three units. Is that about average? We are getting that cost. What is the home sale price generally?

Ms. Wideman said I can follow up with you Mr. Harlow on the exact home sale price for each of these but if you do the math in terms of what you are putting in, your home dollars, for the Grier Heights I believe it is about \$62,500, and for the Druid Hills I think if we do the math on that, it is about \$50,000 per unit. That is our portion, but I can follow up with you on the exact sale price for these homes.

Councilmember Winston said when we speak about AMI's, we are dealing with the \$70,000 Charlotte AMI?

Ms. Wideman said yes sir, we are dealing and that changes every year, so we are saying this AMI is based on a household of four.

Mr. Winston said when we say a unit that is for someone at 80 percent of AMI, that is about \$56,000 a year?

Ms. Wideman said that is based on a family of four. That is correct. The current status, 80 percent is \$59,300.

Mr. Winston said if we are, for instance, with the units in Druid Hills, we were recognizing the scenario that it is being gentrified right now, and we are looking at overall that we need in the City, we know that we need this 80 percent level of funding on housing, but do we do an analysis of what it does to that kind of micro neighborhood of Druid Hills? In some ways this sounds like from what I know about that area and the history of it that this might in some ways be contributing to the gentrification of that area.

Ms. Wideman said Mr. Winston, if you remember, I showed you a slide at dinner, and we pointed out Bright Walk, right? I showed you kind of what the property, the tax value was prior to Bright Walk, and I showed you kind of what it is after. What I would say to you is that there are homes in Bright Walk that are selling for \$400,000 so this, as you can see, is much less than that. So, it is an attempt to address gentrification by creating a cheaper homeownership opportunity in Druid Hills and Bright Walk for those folks who want to move there or folks who want to remain there. So, folks who might be graduating out of a rental situation and ready to move into a homeowner situation.

Mr. Winston said what is it for eight or three?

Ms. Wideman said in Druid Hills, it is three. These are not the only three, Mr. Winston that we have ever done. The partnership, they have created multiple additional affordable homeownership opportunities in Druid Hills as well. This is just three more opportunities.

Councilmember Bokhari said my question kind of dove tails off of what Councilmember Harlow was saying. It just has to do with prioritizing our dollars, because we are making a big ask of the community already, so whether it is general fund dollars or federal grants, we need to be demonstrating that we are getting the biggest bang for our buck. While I know that these organizations do great work, just with the simple math, when we look at nine percent deals, we look at our track record, and we pay \$20,000, \$25,000 average per unit, then four percent deals, \$35,000 give or take. This is averaging for 11 units, \$59,000 on average. I am not trying to debate the point of I know that there are federal strings attached, where 15 percent of this has to be divvied out there and thrown out there, and clearly these organizations have a lot of trust built up with us, but again I hate to keep harping back on it. I come back to Away Home. That is under 30 percent and they average \$10,000 per home, per individual that they are helping. Again, I think that my colleague here told me this came through HAND Committee or something. I do not fully remember the dialogue. I just know that I feel like I am in this uncomfortable situation where I need to figure out how to vote right

now on the fly on this when it is a good thing, but it seems a little expensive for what we are having to face. How do you respond to that to help me make the right decision right now?

Ms. Wideman said sure, so thank you Mr. Bokhari; and you raise an interesting point. What you just raised is the complex nature of providing affordable housing across a continuum. The Away Home is one of these out-of-the-box it is a great program. We created a best practice, so as you all talked about it at dinner it was intended to be, when it was originally designed, a short-term two to three year voucher or rental subsidy that would then get a person or a household all to long-term sustainability, where they would ideally need no other government subsidy. So, when you think about how to do that, one of the ways to do that is you provide that short-term subsidy and all the while, you are creating multifamily opportunities so that they can go and acquire an affordable rental apartment on their own income, because when they are doing the Away Home Program, they are getting supportive services that was also talked about to help them in their income to get a better job. So, you still have to build either multifamily or home ownership opportunities for them to graduate to. It is a wonderful program; we created a best practice. Your HTF, you are creating multifamily rental options for working families that you heard about tonight, our Solid Waste workers, retail workers, our folks who take care of our children and our elderly. This is an opportunity to go a little step further when they graduate out of that rental option they can maintain. They can have an opportunity to purchase a home, something that we all want to do, still at an affordable rate in an area of high opportunity. In an area that is gentrifying, we are creating those diverse, inclusive mixed income communities. So, it is a multi-prong approach. We have to do it all.

Mr. Bokhari said thank you for the clarity there; I guess my question will be, we just heard from over 13 people in the community who came out to speak about this, and multiple times I heard the call to action. Focus on under 30 percent AMI, and for those of you who have been in the debate for seven months and then much, much longer, we clearly know that it is more complicated than being able to just focus in one area, but can you tell me that when it says 80 percent AMI and below, that there will be any of this money that either gets to the 30 percent AMI and below or 30 percent to 50 percent in that gap of which Away Home might be solving then flipping them into the next level. Is there any assurance there?

Ms. Wideman said for this particular request Mr. Bokhari, I will always be honest with you and the Council. A 30 percent person is probably not the best person, at this point, to become a homeowner, but you just saw it with your Emergency Solutions Grant. You are providing, in some cases, opportunities for that 30 percent family to be rapidly rehoused, get into an apartment with some other rental subsidies support around them, so for this home ownership, that won't reach a 30 percent unit, but I talked to you earlier at your Dinner Meeting where over half of your housing units or approximately half of your housing units have been funded through HTF have gone for households earning 30 percent and below the area median income. So, again, a continuum, it is complex, and we have to use all of our tools that we have now and the tools that we are seeking to create through your housing frame work.

Councilmember Phipps said does the City of Charlotte administer the home program community housing development organization grants for the entire county?

Ms. Wideman said yes, we have a home consortium Mr. Phipps; and we meet quarterly. It is Huntersville. I think that it is Matthews, Davidson, so it is our surrounding downs. They get to submit proposals as well for this pot of funding for this money as well.

Mr. Phipps said so, this amount of funds, was this the amount allocated for the total county or was this just our allocation with Charlotte?

Ms. Wideman said Charlotte receives, we are a participating jurisdiction, so what that means is based on the size of our population; we get the allocation of home dollars from the federal government. Smaller towns do not necessarily get a home allocation. So, that is why we work with them. They work with us. We work collectively.

Councilmember Eggleston said I just will say that I hope my colleagues will join me in supporting this. These are two neighborhoods in my District that are direly in need of some locked in affordability, because some affordability does still exist there. It is, as we refer to it,

naturally occurring or NOAH. It is very much in danger, so be willing to lock in some stuff now before it is too late, because it is critical in these two neighborhoods, so please join me in supporting it.

Mr. Winston said is this the route that we are going to have to- I feel like I am doing the math in my head, and I am running it over, and I cannot get away from the idea that in preserving this naturally occurring affordable housing that we are in the same breath gentrifying the neighborhood that we are trying to help.

Ms. Wideman said what I would submit to you Mr. Winston, you are not gentrifying. This is not gentrifying the neighborhood. This is actually addressing providing some homeownership opportunities, affordable homeownership for a neighborhood that is gentrifying. If you travel down 7th-

Mr. Winston said I do. I drop my kids off at school. I drive pass it every day.

Ms. Wideman said so you know what has happened along 7th. If you drive down Randolph, this neighborhood is sandwiched right in between what is going on around it. So, in the absence of self-help, purchasing these lots in Druid Hills, they would go for a tear down or building high-end housing, and the other antidote that I would add and is the truth, the Grier Heights Community; they are very concerned about the gentrification. One of the things that they quoted to me is, "Pam, our children have gone off, and they want to come back home, but they cannot find a place to live that they can afford".

Marcus Jones, City Manager said Pam, help me out here. I do not think that I am wrong with this. Communities across the country would love to have five CHDOs that are able to do this, so if we can think about this very differently; this is 15 percent of our home set aside for CHDOs. Without CHDOs, you do not get to utilize in this capacity, correct?

Ms. Wideman said correct.

Mr. Manager said so, again, it is great that we have five different organizations that can do this. Now, I would expect typically questions about the organizations and capacities and things of that nature, but right now, we have some great opportunities to utilize federal funds with the CHDO set aside, and I think that it becomes difficult when we compare this to some other rental programs that we have. So, if you look at it as this home ownership opportunity, I think that it becomes a very different discussion.

Councilmember Mayfield said Ms. Wideman and Mr. Manager, thank you for all of your work. Pam, you know that I say that you are my housing guru, and you work within the constraints and confines between federal, state, and our requirements. One of the challenges and Mr. Manager I think that the main reason you heard the call for a community based oversight is because community sees very differently how our support of projects play out in the community. So, on the ground in Grier Heights, there are concerns, because Crossroads Corporation, all thought their goal is 80 percent and below, the median income for a number of the residents are \$17,000, just like off of West Boulevard, the median income for a number of my residents is \$10,000 annually, so if your median income is under \$20,000 but what is being built from 2001 houses that were \$35,000 to \$47,000 that are now \$175,000 to \$300,000, it is changing the community. It is bleaching the community. There was an article done on the fact that the people who have more opportunities in these last three years have been one, non-people of color, people who have a credit score of 700 or better, and not the current community that was living there. So, as we are having these conversations, we need to keep in mind and we all believe at this point, understand that 80 percent and below, but the real impact on the ground in the community, is going to be more in the 50 percent and below. Now, we know that there is a need for 30 percent, but we also play with the numbers of what is considered 30 percent, because we have to go by the federal guidelines of 30 percent AMI, but they have nothing to do with the fact that right here in Charlotte Mecklenburg, while you may have one individual as a single earning \$70,000 a year for their first job working for the bank, you have someone else over here earning less than \$20,000, and that gap is where we have our biggest housing crisis. I think it will be help for me and for some members in the community that we can commit to more conversations and more oversight, specifically with crossroads corporation to have a better understanding of what is your plan to truly create

diverse price point housing, because we can't go by the fact that the market is selling at \$400,000 a day, because the market is people who do not live in Charlotte and who have not worked in Charlotte and once they have been here a good two years, they are going to learn the reality that your income isn't necessarily coinciding with your cost of living, so for the current people that have that \$30,000, \$40,000, \$50,000, \$60,000 home that now has this new home next to it, that is the gap that if I am understanding, that we really need to be focusing on. Of course I am going to support as I move forward, but we need to have more conversations, because Crossroads specifically we said we know that these are federal dollars, and we have partners. I think that it would be more helpful if all of our partners would list it, oppose to just one or two of our partners and that there was more dispersion, because this particular partner, if you drive through the neighborhood and you once lived in a neighborhood, you clearly see that there has been a transition of what that neighborhood looks like, and that is where we have the challenge, because it is a direct contradiction to what we are saying that our goal and expectation is and what the charge from the Council has been to try to have aging in place. So, we are conflicting ourselves through our language and then what we approve.

Ms. Wideman said thank you Ms. Mayfield. You have raised all excellent points, and you actually made me remember something that is probably important to both Grier Heights and Druid Hills. You all will remember, and you need to take credit for this and share with the community. You have over 300 units of affordable, rental in Bright Walk. The affordable lead the redevelopment of that corridor, and it just didn't start with Bright Walk. It started with Gables 1 and 2. Those are for seniors, then the Park at Oaklawn, so up and down that corridor, you have affordable rental. This adds a homeownership opportunity. Same thing with Grier Heights; you guys may remember that you approved 72 units of affordable rental, 30-year deed restrictions in Grier Heights. This is just another opportunity to create affordable, and this is in particular home ownership as well, so I needed to recall that.

Ms. Mayfield said I would like for us to work more closely with Cross Roads Corporation to know that there is an expectation for them to do things a little differently than what they have done these last five to seven years.

Councilmember Ajmera said I struggle with this one a little bit. It helps when Mr. Jones had just given an example; this is different. We are comparing home ownership to rental. These are two different things. So, from listening to my colleague, Councilmember Mayfield's comments and the average median income in the area, how can we insure that we are not contributing to the gentrification? What kind of properties would we buy? Are we buying any properties that could potentially be housing residents that are making 30 percent or 50 percent AMI?

Ms. Wideman said I am going to point back to the Manager's comment Ms. Ajmera; this is home dollars that have to be used with certified housing development organizations. These are non-profits. So, this is again creating affordable home ownership. I think that what you are talking about is a little bit of a pivot from this. You mentioned what kind of properties are we buying. So, we are not buying properties. Your HTF, Housing Trust Fund, goes to affordable housing developers as gap financing. So, two kind of different things there that I think you are talking about.

Ms. Ajmera said so, with this one, it has 15-years affordability period.

Ms. Wideman said correct.

Ms. Ajmera said so, after 15-years, it could be sold at the market rate. Am I correct?

Ms. Wideman said so, what have had a lot of conversations around this dais is that we do not want to stifle or impede the ability for folks to become homeowners and create wealth, so these have a 15-year affordability period. That is also prescribed by the federal government, by HUD.

Mr. Harlow said I appreciate you Ms. Wideman. First off, let me be very clear; I support this. This came through the Committee. This was unanimous; it makes sense. It is not free money, but it is federal money. It is not our dollars that we have to spend it. The concern is about

affordability. We are locking this in here. It is not different than when we lock in our deed restrictions on multifamily units. We want to try to promote home ownership in areas that we know are changing. I am a little confused why we are making this so hard, but none the less, the affordability is locked in. We should like that. I think that we like that, and this is money that must be spent in this way, with these particular groups.

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield and seconded by Councilmember Harlow to Approve the Housing and Neighborhood Development Committee’s recommendation to approve federally funded HOME Program Community Housing Development Organization grants for a total of \$650,000 to: Charlotte-Mecklenburg Housing Partnership, Inc., \$150,000, and Cross Roads Corporation for Affordable Housing and Community Development, \$500,000.

Mr. Bokhari said I have conferred with a couple of folks, and I think that where I feel the most comfortable right now is I feel like I am learning about a lot of things for the very first time, seconds before we have to decide to vote \$650,000 yes or no. While I am sure some conversations have been had in different areas and everything, I do not remember this specific conversation in Committee, and I certainly do not hear there was a vote recommending this to full Council. I am not by any means trying to slow this down.

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said it was voted in Committee.

Mr. Phipps said it was unanimous.

A vote was taken on the motion and recorded as unanimous.

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt said I will say, I do not always get to go to the HAND Committee, and I know Mr. Bokhari that you get to go to a lot of them. This housing stuff is really complicated, and I encourage everybody to look at the agendas when the Housing Committee, they have done a ton of work. When the Housing Committee agendas come out, I try to look at them to see if I need to go and learn something, but I do encourage people to go and the public to go to the Committee meetings and learn about his stuff, because it is complicated.

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BUSINESS

ITEM NO. 17: INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT AND REIMBURSABLE SEWER DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE GOOSE CREEK TRUNK SEWER PHASE 2 PROJECT.

Motion was made by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Egleston and carried unanimously to (A) Adopt a resolution ratifying five-year reimbursable Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Mint Hill for Sewer Construction of the Goose Creek Trunk Sewer Phase 2 Project, and (B) Adopt Budget Ordinance 9387-X appropriating \$1,670,000 from the Town of Mint Hill.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page(s) 519.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 29-29H.

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NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS AND COMMISIONS

ITEM NO. 18: NOMINATIONS TO THE ARTS AND SCIENCE COUNCIL ADVISORY

Central Advisory Council

The following nomination was made for one appointment for a District 1 representative for a two-year term beginning July1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2020.

- Michael Haithcock, nominated by Councilmember Egleston

The following nomination was made for one appointment for a District 3 representative for a two-year term beginning July1, 2018 through June 30, 2020.

- Tracy Wopperer, nominated by Councilmember Mayfield

The following nomination was made for one appointment for a District 5 representative for a two-year term beginning July1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2020.

- Amy Harris, nominated by Councilmember Newton

The following nominations were made for two appointments for At-large representatives for two-year terms beginning July1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2020.

- Sarah Alexander, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Egleston, Eiselt, Harris, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, Phipps, and Winston
- Brooke Gibbons, nominated by Councilmembers Mayfield and Winston
- Kaitlyn McElwee, nominated by Councilmembers Bokhari, Egleston, and Harlow
- Marjorie White Molina, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Eiselt, Newton, and Phipps
- Marius Patterson, nominated by Councilmember Mitchell

Motion made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, and carried unanimously to appoint Michael Haithcock, Tracy Wopperer, Amy Harris and Sarah Alexander to the Central Advisory Council.

Mr. Haithcock, Ms. Wopperer, Ms. Harris and Ms. Alexander were appointed.

The remaining Central Advisory Council At-Large representative appointment will be brought back to the August 27, 2018 Business meeting.

North/West Advisory Council

The following nomination was made for one appointment for a District 2 representative for a two-year term beginning July1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2020.

- Sarah Johnson, nominated by Councilmember Harlow

The following nomination was made for one appointment for a District 4 representative for a two-year term beginning July1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2020.

- Jonathan Utrup, nominated by Councilmember Phipps

The following nominations were made for one appointment for an At-large representative for a two-year term beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

- Aisha Dew, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Egleston, Eiselt, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, and Winston
- Vickie Evans, nominated by Councilmember Phipps
- Sarah Johnson, nominated by Councilmember Harlow

Motion made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, and carried unanimously to appoint Sarah Johnson, Jonathan Utrup and Aisha Dew to the North/West Advisory Council.

Ms. Johnson, Mr. Utrup and Ms. Dew were appointed to the North/East Advisory Council.

South/East Advisory Council

The following nominations were made for one appointment for a District 6 representative for a two-year term beginning July1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2020.

- Lawrence Shaheen, nominated by Councilmember Bokhari

No nomination was made for one appointment for a District 7 representative for a two-year term beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2020 due to the absence of Council 7 District Representative Ed Driggs.

The following nominations were made for one (1) appointment for an At-large representative for a one-year term, with this first appointment beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020.

- Cache’ Heidel, nominated by Councilmembers Newton and Winston
- George Kaperonis, nominated by Councilmembers Egleston and Eiselt
- Erica McGee, nominated by Councilmembers Harlow
- Christina Thigpen, nominated by Councilmember Phipps

The South/East At-Large representative appointment will be brought back to the August 27, 2018 Business meeting.

Motion made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, and carried unanimously to appoint Lawrence Shaheen to the South/East Advisory Council.

Mr. Shaheen was appointed to the South/East Advisory Council.

The South/East District 7 representative and South/East At-Large representative appointment will be brought back to the August 27, 2018 Business.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISIONS

ITEM NO. 19: Appointment to the Charlotte Regional Visitors Authority

The following nominees were considered for one appointment in the At-Large category for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2021.

- Kimberly Edmonds, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, Phipps, and Winston.
- Tarun Malik, nominated by Councilmembers Bokhari, Egleston, Eiselt, and Newton.

Kimberly Edmonds was appointed.

ZONING

INTRODUCTION OF THE ZONING COMMITTEE

John Fryday, Zoning Committee introduced the members of the Zoning Committee. They will meet Tuesday, July 31, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. here at the Government Center. At that meeting, we will meet to discuss and make recommendations on the petitions that have

public hearings tonight and the ones last time. The public is welcome at that meeting, but understand that it is not a continuation of this public hearing. Prior to that meeting, you are welcome to contact us to provide input. You can find contact information on each of us and on each petition at the City’s website at charlotteplanning.org.

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EXPLANATION OF ZONING MEETING

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt explained the Zoning Meeting rules and procedures

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ZONING HEARINGS

ITEM NO. 21: HEARING ON PETITION: 2018-047 BY FOUNDATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHARLOTTE, INC. FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 4.42 ACRES LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF NORTH TRYON STREET ACROSS FROM J.W. CLAY BOULEVARD FROM INST (INSTITUTIONAL) AND TOD-M(O) (TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT - MIXED USE, OPTIONAL) TO TOD-M(O) (TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT - MIXED USE, OPTIONAL) AND TOD-M(O) SPA (TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT - MIXED USE, OPTIONAL, SITE PLAN AMENDMENT)

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt declared the hearing open.

Ed McKinney, Assistant Planning Director said what you have on your screen is the site location area, so in yellow is the site, just a little bit over four acres. Note here, it says that North Tryon, this is the J. W. Clay, University City Station, the Blue Line Extension, you see the campus and then the University City development around the station, and I note there again there is the CATS parking deck immediately across the street.

A quick snapshot of the future land use and note here is sort of the brown color, which is the transit supportive use adopted as part of the area plan, the University City Area Plan back in 2015, which was anticipating the development, the transit oriented development around the station, and obviously you see the context of the University, so this bridge between the University and the connection to North Tryon and the Blue Line Extension Station. One last context, it is good to just kind of see again what is pretty strategic about this location, so here is a view of North Tryon as you are kind of looking towards the campus. Again the station and this view shows the deck under construction, but that is the CATS Park and Ride and again this site highlighted in yellow. Again, it is just noteworthy here to see that direct link from the station, the CATS Park and Ride, and the heart of the Campus here, so this site is a pretty strategic location. You will see that and some of the site design and the planning for the development.

Here is now a zoom in of the site plan itself so a little bit closer view of the same things. There is the parking deck; there is the station itself, North Tryon, then the site, so the proposal here is for essentially a 230 room hotel and conference room. The main building of that you sort of see here, the ball room and conference room kind of attached to it, a parking structure off to the northern side of the site with a building orientation in front of North Tryon and J. W. Clay Boulevard. A couple of other things and note here just in terms of how the site works, there is an access on the back side, so it sits at Robert D. Snyder Road, J. W. Clay Boulevard, and North Tryon, the main parking access for the hotel is sort of at a porte-cochère off the backside of Robert D. Snyder Road, then an access to the parking deck, again the main core of the parking sits to the north of the site. Another key part of this, since it was back to the notion of the connection of the station to the campus, the site was also designed to have a really clear and strong pedestrian connection, so there is a bridge as many of you will know, a connection from the station both from the deck to the station platform then across the street to North Tryon. This site was designed to then have a pedestrian connection sort of through the site, gets you to that but also kind of breaks the site up and gives you better access to the campus itself.

Really the note things here of this plan, why there is a rezoning, there are a couple of optional provisions. Using the transit oriented zoning district but there are a couple of revisions about the orientation of the parking and maneuvering in general, so there are two optional provisions. One is in our zoning district for TOD we discourage having parking between the street and a building, and we also require activation along parking decks. This plan is asking for options on those two conditions. One sort of respecting and thinking through the uniqueness of the hotel use and its relationship to the campus and the drop off for the hotel, then as you will see from the petitioner, there is some topographic issues here that sort of require the deck to be kind of partly underground as its North Tryon frontage, which makes it difficult to front with development, then it has just a relatively limited exposure on Robert D. Snyder Road, so those are optional provisions that they are asking for. In return thought, one of the unique things about this site was the ability to really make a strong open space connection, so you will see a series of commitments they made about the frontage along North Tryon. There will be some outdoor dining and retail activation here at the corner, open space and connections to the station itself, open space and connections to the station itself. I have mentioned here in red is that pedestrian connection and some other design and kind of publicly oriented open space. There is really a linear park that runs along North Tryon, so the uniqueness of that site became a really strong feature to how this could connect to the station and accommodate the uniqueness of this mixed-use development.

Staff is recommending approval of this petition. It is consistent with the station area plan, the notion of having higher intensity development here really meets all of the goals that we have about the transit oriented development at the station, and as I just mentioned those optional provision about the site design were unique to the site, and we felt that the public space commitment here made a really unique opportunity for public open space at the station.

Jeff Brown, 100 N. Tryon Street said I will be quick tonight; I know that there is a lot that you have covered, and we will try to move fast. It is a pleasure to be here assisting the University of North Carolina at Charlotte's Foundation. With me are Nile Sorenson, who is the President of the UNC Foundation; as well as Betty Doster, Special Assistant for Chancellor for Constituent Relations; Manny Dominguez, of Cooper Carry Architects; as well as Kristen Mansfeld of McAdams Land Planner. Mr. McKinney did a very great, comprehensive job on this project. We have worked really hard with the staff. We are very pleased at the results of being able to activate the Tryon Street area and being able to provide for this very important location. We are confident that we will be able to work through the remaining site plan issues. We have provided materials for you, we will not repeat those; we will dispense with further review of all of that, except to say that we really think that this is a unique opportunity to provide for unique conference uses in a pivotal location with a lot of energy that is also provided through some of the ancillary uses. I am going to turn it over to Tobe Holmes with University City Partners who will speak very briefly, also in support and thank you again for this time tonight.

Tobe Holmes, 8335 IBM Drive said I am glad to be here with this group; we have worked together over the last several months. The Foundation, the world class architects Cooper Cary, the University, and City staff, so many others to create a project that we are very proud of the results of. We think that it will contribute very nicely to University City as a product but also as a place for our community. As an organization that focuses on the economic development of University City, we believe that this will very much help us in that endeavor. It also will set the tone for the cross section of North Tryon Street and J. W. Clay Boulevard, both in raising the bar for future quality and care of that area. So, thank you all for considering this tonight and how this might improve the Foundation of our of our City's most important economic drivers and also town creators. Thank you.

Councilmember Egleston said I just want to give kudos to our friends at UNC Charlotte; I think that this project is going to be a really good connection between what is a very important asset to this community and the UNC Charlotte Campus and what is a very important asset in this community and the Blue Line Extension of the LYNX, so I am excited about this. Thank you all for bringing forward something that we can really use to help support the transportation infrastructure that we have invested in.

Councilmember Phipps said I do not know that I can really add that much to what has really been said already. This is a project that is definitely needed in our area, a hotel conference

center, I think that it will be a good attraction for business, visitors coming to this unique area up in University City.

Motion made by Mitchell and seconded by Phipps and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 22: HEARING ON PETITION: 2018-048 BY NOVANT HEALTH, INC. FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 1.5 ACRES LOCATED ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF STATESVILLE AVENUE AND NEWLAND ROAD, WEST OF NORRIS AVENUE FROM R-22MF (MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO O-1(CD) (OFFICE, CONDITIONAL)

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt declared the hearing open.

Ed McKinney, Assistant Planning Director said I will just provide a quick summary of the petition and our recommendation. Again, on the aerial you will see highlighted in yellow the triangular site of this petition, Statesville Road, Newland Road and you will recognize that we are sort of in the heart of Bright Walk. As we zoom in, we will talk a little bit about some of the changes and how this reflects the evolution of what has happened in the Bright Walk Neighborhood; again, just a snapshot of the future land use. You get a sense of the mix of residential and development that is happening in Bright Walk. I will talk a little bit about there is a rezoning that occurred here that talk a little bit about how this fits into kind of an emerging node of commercial and retail and then you can see there was essentially the reason that it is currently zone for R-22 and the future land use reflects multifamily was an earlier anticipation of that being more residential as part of the development of Bright Walk. So, zooming in on the site just to talk a little bit about the particulars and the petitions, so here again is the site. What is below here is just a sort of diagram of what was rezoned recently for context, which was the Bright Walk Retail Village, so several buildings of retail and commercial around it and open space. There is a newly realigned version of Newland Road that is underway that will connect to Statesville Road. So, this project is essentially going to an office use looking to do just a little over 7,000 square feet of medical office, again the context here is important, kind of arranged in a way that orients to Statesville Road, open space here that will reflect the development pattern that is happening at the Bright Walk Retail Village. There will be some great orientation of the building and transparency, sort of a street frontage along Statesville Road with an entrance particularly related to the street, so from our perspective it sort of fits into the evolution of this emerging node of mixed use and commercial around this site around the heart of Bright Walk.

Staff recommends approval of this petition. Again, it is inconsistent simply because of the previous anticipation of multifamily. We believe given the development and the context around this makes sense for the services and kind of the activation and true mixed use that happens around Bright Walk as you saw on the site plan it really reflects all of the expectations we have about creating a walkable neighborhood and providing those services within walking distance of residents. There are a few details and outstanding issues, but those are mostly technical and design related that we are working through.

Matt Stiene, 3600 Country Club Road, Winston Salem said I am the Vice President of Engineering at Novant Health, and I will speak on behalf of all four of our speakers. This is an exciting project for us. We are working now with a philanthropic partner, have a new model for us to integrate a clinic with multiple services in an underserved community, and I will answer any questions that you have.

Councilmember Eggleston said heaping praises on things tonight. I will do one more. This is a needed service provider in a community that I think is really going to appreciate it, so kudos to Novant, and kudos to our friend and neighbor Michael Jordan, who I know is involved in this. We hope he feels better; I assume that he was sick if he did not make it here tonight. We will expect to see him for the vote next month.

Councilmember Harlow said just echoing that, this is right on the boarder there of District 2 and the Double Oaks Community and what is now Bright Walk, a much need amenity here from a health standpoint, as the neighborhood continues to change, so I look forward to supporting this in approval next month.

Councilmember Winston said I just echo what my colleagues have said when we think about affordable housing and developing mixed income communities. It is not just homes, and it is not just jobs it is services. It is the ability to not just go to your doctor but create a relationship and a knowledge base that really money cannot by, so thank you for getting this project through. I look forward to voting for it next month.

Motion made by Mitchell and seconded by Phipps and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 23: HEARING ON PETITION: 2018-052 BY PASTA & PROVISIONS FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 0.22 ACRES LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF SOUTH MINT STREET AND SPRUCE STREET FROM R-5 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL), R-5 HD-O (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, HISTORIC DISTRICT OVERLAY) TO MUDD-O HD-O (MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT, OPTIONAL, HISTORIC DISTRICT OVERLAY)

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt declared the hearing open.

Tammie Keplinger said this property is located at the corner of Spruce Street and South Mint; Greater Galilee Baptist Church, which was the subject of several rezonings several years ago, is located right across Spruce Street. The request is from R-5 HD-O (single family residential, historic district overlay) to MUDD-O HD-O (Mixed use development, optional historic district overlay.)

I want to go very quickly to the adopted future land-use map to show you that it recommends actually single family residential at five dwelling units per acre for this site, but this is the site. This is an existing commercial use that has been there for many years, and what we have today is a Pasta and Provisions that has occupied the building, and they want to go in and add a deck to the rear and some seating along the front, and in order to accomplish that, they have to get a rezoning for several optional requests. The property is in the historic overlay, which is shown there in the orange. It is right smack dab in the middle. The optional provisions relate to site distance triangles and to allowing existing portions of the planning strip and sidewalk to remain both along Mint Street and Spruce Street. The deck that they are proposing is here, outdoor seating here at the corner. The existing building is to remain. It is beside an existing parking deck that was rezoning for Greater Galilee Baptist Church.

So, the rezoning is inconsistent with the area plan, but the staff feels that this petition is reasonable, that it will allow the use of a small expansion of an existing building and will allow a non-conforming use to become conforming.

Debra Glennon, 1936 Park Road said I am with Orsborn Engineering Group, and I will keep it short. I am here to answer any questions.

Councilmember Mayfield said Nathan Gray did reach out and send an email.

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 24: HEARING ON PETITION: 2018-055 BY RIVERBEND CHARLOTTE, LLC FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 3.19 ACRES LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF ROZZELLES FERRY ROAD, SOUTH OF WINDING RIVER DRIVE FROM

R-8MF(CD) LWPA (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, CONDITIONAL, LAKE WYLIE PROTECTED AREA) TO R-5 LWPA (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, LAKE WYLIE PROTECTED AREA)

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt declared the hearing open.

Tammie Keplinger said this property is on Rozzelles Ferry Road. It is just north of Mount Holly-Huntersville Road. We had another rezoning not too long ago that was quite controversial that was right here for conventional. This is Brookshire Boulevard. This property was rezoned multiple years it. It was a part of the River Bend Neighborhood, which is developed back in behind. This particular property is designated to either be a sales office or a daycare. So, the request now is to rezone this from R-8 MF(CD) Lake Wylie Protected Area to R-5 Lake Wiley Protected Area. It is a conventional rezoning. So, we do not know what they want to do, but in an R-5 it is pretty much limited to single-family residential. So, it is inconsistent with the area plan, which follows the approval from the previous rezoning and recommends the sales office or daycare, but staff feels like it is consistent with the area, and we are recommending approval.

Marc Houle, PO Box 1198, Pineville said I am here on behalf of the petitioner to answer any questions that you may have.

Councilmember Harlow said this is for staff; I am just a little confused, and I guess this seems very, extremely straight forward. You have something that is really old that never really came to pass. I know this community is probably going to just add a couple more houses right there at the entrance. Why did this actually need a rezoning at all?

Ms. Keplinger said because the previous rezoning restricted it to two uses only and that was the daycare or the sales office for the subdivision. So, they could not legally have single-family residential on the site.

Mr. Harlow said it is just very tight conditions.

Motion was made by Councilmember Harlow, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 25: HEARING ON PETITION: 2018-060 BY EID REFAEY FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 1.04 ACRES LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF PARKWOOD AVENUE, EAST OF HARRILL STREET, AND WEST OF ALLEN STREET FROM R-5 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO UR-2(CD) (URBAN RESIDENTIAL, CONDITIONAL).

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt declared the hearing open.

Tammie Keplinger said this petition is located on Parkwood Avenue between Allen Street and Harrill Street. The request is to go from R-5 single-family residential to UR-2(CD), urban residential conditional. The 2003 Belmont area of revitalization plan recommended single-family residential and institutional for the subject property. The proposed request that is before you tonight, I want to switch over and show you the big part of the property is the existing church. The request is to provide for multi-family housing 18 units within the existing church. There will be three additional buildings built. Each one of them will contain a duplex, so a total of 24 units on the site. They have specified building materials, a lot of things that are already listed in your agenda; I will not go through all of those.

In terms of this request, the church was built in 1928, and the placement of the buildings and duplex are inconsistent with what we find in the surrounding area. It includes commitments to provide usable porches and stoops, which are consistent with the area. Staff is recommending approval upon resolution of the outstanding issues.

Paul Pennell, 1318 Central Avenue said thank you for the opportunity to speak with you all today about the Parkwood Reformed Presbyterian Church. I am representing the petitioner with Urban Design Partners. In 1929, the congregation of the Parkwood Avenue Reformed Church gathered on what was certainly a cold afternoon on January 6. A few years earlier, Louis Asbury, a Charlotte native, and architect, and the first AI member in North Carolina and previous MIT graduate was hired to provide design documents for this church. Fast forward to 2015, the building was no longer used as a church and came into ownership of our client in 2017. He has a desire to protect the church and adaptively reuse it for a residential purpose, and I am here tonight to answer any potential questions that you may have. I am also speaking for Eid Refaey tonight.

Councilmember Egleston said first of all, thank you; this was right before we got sworn on to City Council. I was on the Historic Landmarks Commission. This church was one of the last things that I championed designating as a historic landmark to start the process of doing that study toward that end, and I drive by this all of the time and it is arguably one of the most important piece of the built environment in the Villa Heights neighborhood and also very important to the adjacent Belmont Community, and I think that it will set a precedent here. I hope that you will set a precedent here that we can find ways to convert some of these beautiful churches in our community that have gone out of religious use, into residential use, because I think that it is a really unique way for us to create housing, a different type of housing.

My question is, I know that you have got the six new units that will be created. I believe they said 18 in the church building itself. Has there been any consideration as to whether a few of those units might be available to be locked in with some affordability?

Mr. Pennell said there has been discussion with that. Based on the financial constraints of rehabilitating the building, the exact AMI classification has not been identified just yet, but our client has discussed maybe identifying one or two potential units within the church as a potential affordable unit.

Mr. Egleston said we appreciate y'all's consideration of that, and generally I am greatly appreciative of what is being done here to preserve this church, so thank you.

Councilmember Phipps said I was curious inasmuch as the church has been designated; has it been designated as a historical landmark?

Mr. Egleston said not yet I do not believe.

Mr. Pennell said the church not yet has been designated as a historic landmark. Our client is willing to pursue that. We would just like to get through the rezoning and land development process prior to that formally being conducted.

Mr. Phipps said I was curious if it is, I was wondering how is it if it is designated that, that you could do these sorts of things with it. I thought that it was restrictive with what you can do when something is labeled or characterized as a historic landmark.

Mr. Egleston said what it means is that it would go through a designer review process with the Historic Landmark Commission. So, historic landmark status does not preclude any changes from being made. It just says that they have to be in keeping with the history of the structure, and in this case a lot of that would probably be around preserving and restoring to its original state, the outside of the building and some structural changes inside to help it be converted into residential would be allowed, again pending approval of the designer review committee and the Historic Landmarks Commission.

Mr. Phipps said as the requisite, is parking already taken care of in view of the fact that it was a church with a congregation, probably has a parking lot. So, that is going to be sufficient for parking for these living units that you are contemplating?

Mr. Pennell said currently right now, we are looking at a ratio of possibly 2 to 2.5, and everyone living in the property will have a parking space located on the property. There is no intention here to have on street parking on Allen Street or Harrill Street.

Councilmember Bokhari said is there any danger to doing the rezoning before the historical landmark designation?

Mr. Egleston said yes, but there is not much historical president for designating a land mark against the objections of the property owners, so the fact that they have demonstrated or expressed a willingness to pursue a designation is a good thing, and if at some point they are the property owner. If at some point they said if we deny this or said we wanted you to designate it, we cannot really force people to designate properties. The Landmarks Commission study demonstrates that it is worth of designation; they have expressed an interest in it, and it would be unprecedented for us to designate it against their objections. In this case, we will hope that that does come to be, but there is not really necessarily another good course of action.

Mr. Pennell said Mr. Bokhari, if I could provide a follow up with that, we have actually included some provisions within the development notes to insure that the church as is today will remain historically accurate and prevalent to what it is intended to be, but we have included some provisions within those notes to be able to update the exterior of the building to bring it up to current county building code. The one largest change on site that may occur associated with the church is that more than likely, some of the stain glass windows will be coming down, but they will be reused on site, whether it be in a new exterior building or actual interior for art work. If anyone knows actually some stained glass window artisans, my client sure would like to know them in our community.

Councilmember Winston said one thing in this presentation that I like is when we are looking for diverse housing, we are also looking for types of housing, and these are the first kind of duplexes that I can remember coming up in a long time, so cheers to that. I have a question about what those new units would look like. I am actually not usually a big stickler on design standards and what you use to tile the roof and things like that, but like Mr. Egleston, I do drive up and down Parkwood quite often multiple times a day, and I see the types of new units that are going up, and honestly they really just do not fit. It is almost a design gentrification that is going on in addition to the actual gentrification. I was wondering if you were considering with the new units, them being in kind of the flavor of the church or in flavor of the kind of existing properties that do exist in this area, or is this going to be something new and wild and pushing the envelope?

Terrie Hagler-Gray, Senior Assistant City Attorney said I just want to make sure that we are careful here, because this is a duplex. Is that true?

Mr. Pennell said they are duplexes, yes.

Ms. Hagler-Gray said so single family and duplex we cannot talk about design, only multifamily.

Motion was made by Councilmember Harlow, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

ITEM NO. 26: HEARING ON PETITION: 2018-057 BY SHEA HOMES FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 3.87 ACRES LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF SOUTH BRUNS AVENUE, EAST OF HARRILL STREET, AND WEST OF WEST TRADE STREET FROM UR-2(CD) (URBAN RESIDENTIAL, CONDITIONAL) AND R-8 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO UR-2(CD) SPA (URBAN RESIDENTIAL, CONDITIONAL, SITE PLAN AMENDMENT)

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt declared the hearing open.

Ed McKinney, Assistant Planning Director said I will do a quick overview; I do not have the aerial here, but this shows the site in black with the current zoning on it just for context, again there is Bruns Avenue, West Trade Street, the intersection of Rozzelle Ferry, and there is

Johnson C. Smith University in the heart of the Seversville Neighborhood. This is important here to see the zoning, so there are essentially three sites here, a UR-2 conditional plan for townhomes here and another one here, then in the middle is the piece that is being incorporated here. So, it is essentially rezoning that middle piece then updating the site plan for the two other pieces that were consistent residential master plan. This is a zoom in on that site plan, so again there is the site; Bruns Avenue is sort of the main frontage here. It does not show exactly, but that single family R-8 residential piece is essentially right here. What this plan does is essentially incorporate the two previous rezonings for townhomes with those smaller two lot pieces in the R-8 into one unified plan. The total is 58 townhomes, just for context. The two previous UR rezonings allowed for up to 53 units. This inclusion now allows for the 58. All of the same design aspects are kept, and this actually allows a much more unified plan to incorporate with an ally access on the back side. All the units front along Bruns Avenue, open space and buffers on the backside actually allows for a much more cohesive plan that fits into the neighborhood a little more cleanly.

One quick note about the plan consistency, go back to the zoning piece here. The rezoning allowed for essentially this future land use of 22 units per acre, 17 units per acre, and that middle piece is eight units per acre. The inconsistency of this plan is essentially that single-family residential portion. Staff does recommend approval of the plan. Again, with that inconsistency on the single family residential, we believe over all that this provides a more cohesive design, incorporates the townhomes in a way that fits into the neighborhood more strongly, better access in relationship to the buildings to the street and parking behind. A couple of site plan issues we still want to work through, there is an issue that we want to try to work through getting the scale and number of units that are combined in those townhomes to be a little more broken up to provide a better context for the neighborhood, but overall we support the petition and will be working into those final issues.

Collin Brown, 214 N. Tryon Street said I am with K&L Gates on behalf of the petitioner Shea Homes. With me tonight is Mike Shea and Matt Kerns, also Eddie More with McAdams. I am happy to give you a presentation if you would like. It is 10:00 p.m. It is kind of at your pleasure. Councilmember Harlow has seen this a few times. We have had some pretty good neighborhood outreach. I think that the feedback has been generally positive.

Councilmember Harlow said Mike you have got to make him earn his pay check tonight. Real quickly, there are tons of community engagement sessions here, of course the required community meeting but I think maybe two or three other kind of softer meetings in the Seversville neighborhood. I have got to correct you their Ed. Mr. Pruitt and Jatonya Adams would hate it if you called this Wesley Heights, This is Seversville, but none the less, there is a lot going on in this area here. I think that this is the perfect land use, a lot of blank land right next to Bruns Academy, the school right in front of Wallace Pruitt Rec Center, a stone's throw away from the greenway and Sedona Mill and Blue Blaze Brewery. It will be literally, I don't know, two blocks up from the future street car stop. So, four different CNIP projects going on within a mile radius of this site, a lot of public investment, so this type of private investment I think is kind of perfect. Taiwo might call this place type B maybe? TOD-B, I do not know. Nonetheless, I think it is very supportive of it. I like the idea of what this looks like, wide planning strips, wide sidewalks leading to the greenway, so good product and I look forward to supporting it.

Motion was made by Councilmember Harlow, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 27: HEARING ON PETITION: 2018-062 BY BPR PROPERTIES FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 0.36 ACRES LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF SOUTH BREVARD STREET, EAST OF EAST 4TH STREET FROM UMUD (UPTOWN MIXED USE) TO UMUD-O (UPTOWN MIXED USE, OPTIONAL).

Mayor Pro Tem Eiselt declared the hearing open.

Ed McKinney, Assistant Planning Director said a quick overview, this is even closer to home; we are just a couple of blocks from where we are sitting here tonight. So, you recognize the Transit Center, obviously Spectrum Arena. This sits on Brevard Street, the site immediately across from the Transit Center, again in the heart of uptown and currently zoned U-MUD. Really again, the issue here are some optional provisions, so I will walk you through the details of the optional provisions. There is not much more to show you here. This is sort of a zoom in on the site. The key thing here to see is that it is a small site; it is an urban site, so a big part of the optional provisions are about how to incorporate and fulfill the expectations that we have for the urban U-MUD development but also accommodate the kind of unique sort of small scale of this parcel.

I want to make a quick mention here about the Brevard Street plan. This is an adoptive plan. It is sort of a sub area plan of Uptown, which was done back in 2013/2014 adopted. A key part of this was some standards around the street frontage and the setbacks and the step backs. I will walk you through that, really get them to the form of making sure that we have got the right amount of public space. The building set back the right way from the street, and we also have some provisions here that once you got to a certain height, in this case 60 feet, the building itself would be stepped back. This is different than a setback. The building itself is kind of pushed back at that height, again with the notion to kind of try to create a pedestrian scale, kind of a really important vision about how Brevard Street is going to be this mixed-use pedestrian oriented street that connects you from the Convention Center and NASCAR Hall of Fame up to the Arena.

Now we are going to get a little technical. I just wanted to use this diagram just to really describe the optional provisions here that are being asked for. This is a cross section of the development proposal. Here is Brevard Street, again the notion of a small property. Here is the backside of that property line. What is outlined in black is sort of the shape of what is being proposed for this building. What is outline in the red dash is how our current U-MUDD ordinance would require both the set back from the back of curb, which is 22 feet, then that step back at 60 feet; again the requirement in our ordinance in 20 feet. What the petitioner is asking for is essentially allowing, once you get above that first floor to allow the building to be a 16-foot set back, this is above the street condition and actually goes back all the way to 26-feet at the street, so you actually get more street space, but the building above the second floor is at that 16 foot and when it gets up to that 60-foot height, they are stepping back but only 10 feet. I do not want to belabor all of this, but I will give you a sense of what the ordinance requires, what they are asking for. Again, the notion here is a very small site, particularly on the step back it allows the height of the building once you get above to actually step back from the property line, which would allow a better architectural condition and less requirement on the firewall on a property line. So, all of these issues are essentially trying to allow this site to kind of fit to the needs of it given the smallness of the property site. We believe that it works. It gives us actually more pedestrian space at the ground level. We get 26 feet instead of 22. What happens is that sort of cantilever happens at the level above, and we still get the form that we want in terms of that step back at the 60-foot level. Again, just kind of wanting to share with you that is the crux of what this optional provision is, otherwise this rezoning allows all of the development and provisions and entitlements of the mixed use of the U-MUD zoning districts. So, it is consistent with the plan over all in the Brevard Street with the inconsistency of those design things that we just talked about. We support this petition. Again, we believe that it meets the intent of what we are trying to do and creates and actually enhances some of the pedestrian space that we get in uptown, and it deals with some of the uniqueness of the sidewalk while still meeting our longer term expectations of that mixed use and pedestrian oriented development within our downtown.

Stephen Overcash, 2010 S. Tryon Street 1A said I am with Overcash Demmitt Architects, and I am here to answer questions.

Councilmember Eggleston said everybody knows that I am a fan of cantilever, but my friend Mr. Fryday has pointed out to me that this is exactly a cantilever design, because we have these large columns. I guess two questions, one you said you are with the architecture firm?

Mr. Overcash said yes.

Mr. Egleston said would there be the potential to keep this design element of the possible cantilever but make it an actual cantilever by removing those columns, which would actually create better walkability, more pedestrian space, I think a better design.

Mr. Overcash said we worked closely with the Planning staff. We had a lot of columns out there. It is the same architectural vocabulary that all the great [inaudible] Italy or Europe have. They did not like so many columns, so we work with them to have that amount of columns. I think there are five or six, so you actually do see the retail beyond. It is not an actual cantilever, but you are correct, there are some columns that come down, but there is the rendering, and I think that there are like five columns.

Mr. Egleston said are they loadbearing?

Mr. Overcash said they are loadbearing. There is a space above but there is parking and a hotel above it, and it gives you that ability to walk behind. It is called [inaudible].. The greatest spaces in Europe that you could ever go behind, and we would love to keep those five columns as appose to an actual cantilever.

Mr. Egleston said well, I will say in general I like the design. I think that it is a very appropriate use for that site, so that was just one little question, but overall, I am supportive of this and appreciate some interesting design work.

Motion was made by Councilmember Winston, seconded by Councilmember Harlow, and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 20: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TOPICS

Councilmember Egleston said I will be brief so that we can be gone. Quickly, I want to thank the people who came out to throw baseballs at Councilmember Winston and I yesterday.

Councilmember Winston said they did not throw them at us.

Mr. Egleston said well, a couple of them did. Mr. Winston and I were in Plaza-Midwood for Cops on the Block, a great event that CMPD helped to orchestrate without police being really involved out in our community, lots of family fun. One of the family fun activities was a dunk booth that they put Mr. Winston and I in and we got dunked repeatedly to raise money for Special Olympics, so it is for a very good cause. It was a lot of fun; thank you for everybody who came out for that.

I also wanted to mention, we lost one of the pillars of our community yesterday, C.D. Spangler, who was a pillar in our business community and in our state's education community and in the philanthropic community, and I just had actually gotten to meet him for the first time at the Julius Chamber's Highway ceremony about five or six weeks ago. So, I wish I had known him better, but he seemed like a very kind man. I have heard nothing but good things. I want to send my condolences to his family and thank them for letting him be such an integral part of this community and sharing him with us for so long.

Councilmember Harlow said I just want to thank Tiffany Fenton and Henry Rockwood, of City Startup Labs. They did a really cool kind of community event this past weekend about reentry and entrepreneurship for prior offenders, in particularly northwest and west Charlotte. I had an opportunity to attend this event at the West Charlotte Rec Center. We have got a deep interest in the community of how do we create some more entrepreneurs to do some collective social entrepreneurship, specifically for our neighborhoods who have some prior offenses. They are going to continue some work, and City Startup Labs is helping with that continuing work and just trying to put some people back to work and find jobs for folks in our community; so, kudos to them for doing that.

Councilmember Mitchell said first of all, happy belated birthday to my youngest blessing, Nicole, who turned 18, and happy birthday in advance to my oldest blessing Kayla, who will turn 21 tomorrow. So, I got that in so I can go home.

Also, two staff members are leaving us that mean a lot to me in my success. One is Mr. Randy Harrington. Randy will be leaving us to become the Town Manager of Holly Springs. If you all do not know, Randy was CFO for a long period of time. In his last claim to fame, he made NLC a very successful event for us. The last one is Alban Burney. Gosh, I do not know what I am going to do without Alban. Alban is taking a job with the HR Department. So, he has not left Charlotte, but he has left the 15th floor, and we will no longer see him on the 15th floor, so Debra, I do not know who is going to take care of me. Alban, you have been a tremendous success to all of us with technology and constituents, so we wish you the best of luck in your new career.

Councilmember Ajmera said I want to thank those who came to my town hall, Safety in Schools Town Hall. I was joined by CMPD Chief Putney and CMS Superintendent Dr. Wilcox and school board member Margaret Marshall, and they provided an update on what we are doing to address the safety concern here at the local level, starting from more training to rolling out a training in every school, to hiring more resource officers to help counselors, and for those who attended, I really appreciate your attendance and helping to spread the word on the steps that we are taking at the local level to address the safety in schools.

Also, I will thank my mom and my sister and boyfriend for coming here to visit and putting up with me, and with that, I hope that you enjoy your stay here in Charlotte.

Councilmember Phipps said I like to thank Larry Hyatt, the owner of Hyatt Gun and Coin, for sponsoring a gun safe give away last Wednesday to help prevent larcenies from autos, guns stolen from autos and trucks, in association with Hyatt Gun Shop and CMPD, Mr. Hyatt has ordered, he said he has ordered about 10,000 of these gun safes that you can just secure in your car, so when people break in if, you have it properly secured, they will not be able to just bust through the glove compartment and take a firearm out. You do not want to turn a petty crime into a violent crime. Charlotte is still up there high in terms of guns stolen from vehicles, so we are hoping that this will help stem the tide of those kinds of thefts leading to dangerous firearms in the hands of those who did not lawfully obtain them and doing various things in the community harm, so I want to thank him for that, and we look forward to hopefully it will make a difference in the statistics as they move forward over the summer months and into the fall. If you are interested in coming out to Hyatt, they are selling them for a rocket low price of \$10.99. That is the pre-tariff price right there. Otherwise, you really could not get these safes for that price. So, just come on out here.

Councilmember Bokhari said I never can beat what Councilmember Phipps does, which is why I requested offline to go in a different order, not after. I just wanted to relay a great message of thanks to our Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department in their performance in the lip sync battle competition that has been occurring. I had asked them if they would use a bit of an edgier song, but I think that they wanted to go with something that designated with all walks of life. So, I will applaud their efforts and still look around this dais for our uniting moment with the City Council lip sync battle and how we could do that together.

Councilmember Newton said I wanted to thank all of the many participants who made this year's Hickory Grove Fourth of July parade possibly. There was a lot of fear in the community as to whether or not it would occur, and with the help of our local businesses, neighborhood associations, and individuals in east Charlotte and beyond, we made it work in three weeks. I wanted to thank my City Council colleagues who were a part of the festivities, including the Mayor, Councilmember Phipps, and also Councilmember Egleston, who were both judges at the parade. The parade this year, once again, in three weeks, was able to raise more money than it had ever before, and we had more parade participants than ever before. It was really fantastic, 50th year anniversary in honor and memory of Susan Lindsey, and I cannot wait for next year. I also wanted to thank our City staff members who helped make this possible as well, particularly the folks in special events.

I wanted to thank the Red Cross, particularly Angela Broome-Powley and Jack Rasner. For anyone who has not heard, there was a terrible fire at the Woodscape Apartments this past

week; 15 units burned down, and 40 residents, predominantly of our immigrant community, have been displaced. They are currently being housed by the Red Cross at Albemarle Road Elementary school and the middle school as well. Anyone who is interested in donating clothing, diapers, and toys, please swing by Albemarle Presbyterian Church between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. tomorrow all the way out until Friday. That would be greatly appreciated. I am going to extend my thanks to Crisis Assistance Ministry, New Hope Baptist Church, as well as Hawthorne’s Pizza, who is going to be providing meals here in the next couple of days.

I wanted to remind folks about the Monroe Road Streetscape open house, which is going to be happening at the Ovens Auditorium tomorrow from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and also the Independence Boulevard express lane open house will be happening on Wednesday and Thursday. The Wednesday open house is going to be at the CPCC Levine Campus Building Two in Matthews at 4:00 p.m., and the Thursday open house is going to be at Pineville United Methodist Church, in Pineville, at 4:00 p.m.

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ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Winston, seconded by Councilmember Harlow, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18 p.m.


Emily A. Kunze, Deputy City Clerk, NCCMC

Length of Meeting: 5 Hours, 1 Minute
Minutes Completed: August 23, 2018